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OUTLINES.

Savannah river rice and truck growers will take steps against the admission of Porto Rico and the Philippines within the tariff laws of the United States. — Over two million dollars of gold goes abroad to-day. — Col lision of trains on the Southern R. R. at Savannah; eight cars were smashed and a fireman's arm was broken. — The Naval Board makes favorable report on the Miller system of coaling ships at sea. — The revolution in Venezuela is again reported at an end. — The New York city council adopted resolutions of sympathy with the Boers. — Bradstreets reports that the past year's business is a record-breaker. — The Boers report an engagement with Kaffirs. — W. B. Williams, an escaped murderer, was killed by sheriff's officers after he had shot two of the latter, at Bronson, Fla. — New York markets: Money on call was firm at 6@10 per cent., last loan at 30 per cent.; cotton quiet; middling uplands 7 11 16c; flour, dull, steady; wheat—spot firm; No. 2 red 75½c; corn—spot steady; No. 2 40½c; oats—spot dull No. 2 29c; rosin steady; strained common to good $1 40; crude turpentine quiet at 51½@53c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 29.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 25 degrees; 12 M., 29 degrees; maximum, 33 degrees; minimum, 25 degrees; mean, 29 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 1.39

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—For North Carolina—Fair; continued cold Saturday and Sunday; fresh west to north winds.

Port Almanac—Dec. 30.

Sun Rises	7 13 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 52 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H 39 M.
High Water at Southport.	5 57 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	10 27 P. M.

The U. S. Commissioner of Immigration estimates that the total number of immigrants arriving in this country for the fiscal year will reach 350,000.

Gen. Methuen pronounces his name Methven. If he isn't more careful about letting the Boers jump on him his name will be pronounced Dennis.

Hon. Sterling J. Morton has discovered that oatmeal is a good brain-food. Sterling should fill up on it occasionally and perhaps he would talk less rot.

The burglar business must be a fascinating one in Chicago. They have burglar girls there, and they have also five burglar boys whose ages range from 11 to 17 years.

It took twenty-seven witnesses and some pretty robust swearing to establish the claim to a disputed pup in Colorado, and then they were not right since the pup went to the right fellow.

A fellow who personated Santa Claus at a Louisville Christmas tree party, concluded he would improve on old Santa and put a pistol in his hip-pocket. But the pistol accidentally went off before he did, and killed a woman.

Milton Stewart, who lives in Connecticut, near New Haven, believes that we are soon to have another deluge. But he doesn't propose to be caught out in the wet, and is building him an ark on one of the highest spots he can find up there.

The Britons are becoming so partial to everything American now, that they have even become stuck on the American mules they have in South Africa. But they should remember that the American mule kicks against too much familiarity on short acquaintance.

The Britons have long had a weakness for plum pudding, but since they have been sending it to the soldiers in South Africa, it has become a fad to eat it. The sales in London for Christmas day were enormous. One firm sold 600,000 pounds.

New Jersey and Delaware are becoming rivals in the trust chartering business. The former has chartered 194 with an alleged capital of $4,403,400,000 and the latter, since March, when she went into the business, 63 with an alleged capital of 16,850,000. Water enough in all these to float a ship.

A Professor in the Pasteur Institute, in Paris, is experimenting with a lymph which he believes will repair the tissue in the human body and restore impaired organs. Perhaps that great Missouri lymph doctor, whose discovery those Chicago boys were exploiting a short while ago, has found his way over there.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The schooner *Lois V. Chaples*, Capt. Medero, arrived yesterday from Philadelphia.

— Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., of Washington, N. C, will preach at Fifth Street church to-morrow night.

— A false alarm of fire was turned in last night about 12 o'clock from box 52, at corner Seventh and Queen streets.

— The Social Committee of the Y. M. C. A. will meet this evening at 8 o'clock to consider plans for the New Year's reception.

— Spirits turpentine was quoted at an advance of half a cent yesterday on the local market, the quotations being firm at 48@48½ cents.

— Mack Faircloth and Jim Nelson, both colored, were fined $5 each in the police court yesterday for an affray in the market house alley Thursday afternoon.

— Miss Mary R. Kunkel pleasantly entertained a number of her friends, among whom were several visitors, last night at her residence on South Front street.

— The steamer *A. P. Hurt* arrived last night on her first trip from Fayetteville since Christmas. She brought a heavy freight and will return this afternoon.

— Dr. W. C. Galloway will be the special special speaker at the Sabbath afternoon service at the Y. M. C. A. to-morrow at 5 o'clock P. M. All young men are invited.

— Mr. W. M. Cumming, notary public and real estate agent, is distributing among his friends and customers a very neat calendar for the last year of the nineteenth century.

— In sympathy with advances in the New York markets the local cotton market was quoted yesterday steady on a basis of 7¼ cents for middling. The receipts for the past few days have been very light.

— The friends of Mr. James E. Hall, one of the Wilmington letter-carriers, will be glad to hear that he has been advanced and will now receive $850 instead of $600 per year. This a nice Christmas gift for Jim.

— Two sailors from aboard the schooner *B. I. Hazard* were locked up at the station house yesterday for desertion. They were arrested by Policeman Woebse and will be held until the sailing of their vessel Sunday morning.

— Messrs. J. W. Perry and W. S. Joyner, of Princeton, N. C., were here yesterday and took an inventory of the farming utensils and property of the State at the rice farms on the Cape Fear. This is being done by way of preparation for the coming year's operations.

— Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son yesterday cleared another cargo of cotton for Bremen, Germany. It went aboard the British steamer *Hasling den*, Capt. Diggins, and consisted of 6,635 bales, valued at $340,940. There are now left in port only two cotton steamers—the *Laurelwood*, which is being loaded by Mr. J. H. Sloan, and the Norwegian steamship *Aquila* which is loading for Messrs. Sprunt & Son.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

W. B. Cooper—Thanks.
Hamme, the Hatter—Thanks.
A. Shrier—Happy New Year.
Hall & Pearsall—Vegetable baskets.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Hot chocolate.
Mechanics' Home Association—New series.

District Stewards Meeting.

The district stewards of Wilmington District M. E. Church, South, will meet in this city at noon on January 10th, at the District parsonage on Grace between Fourth and Fifth streets. They are as follows: W. B Cooper from Grace Church; J. T. Sholar, Fifth Street; R H. Beery, Market Street; D. Joyner, Bladen street; J. T. Kerr, Scott's Hill; J. D. Costin, Onslow; F. W. Hargett, Jacksonville and Richlands; A. J. Johnson, Magnolia; Gratten Williams, Burgaw; J. S Rouse Kenansville; O. F. Herring, Clinton; J. O West, Bladen; Randall McCall, Elizabeth; H. C. Moffitt, Whiteville: J. C. Stanley, Carver's Creek; A. V. Goodman, Zion; J D. Galloway, Atlantic; Richard Dozier, Southport; B. A. Marlow, Waccamaw.

Money Under False Pretences.

K. D. Nixon, colored, was tried in Justice Fowler's court yesterday for obtaining money under false pretences. Nixon, it appears, was formerly employed by Mr. J. A. Schroeder in the scavenger work in the southern section of the city, but was subsequently turned off and another man hired in his stead. Nixon then without authority assumed the role of collector for Mr. Schroder and took in quite an amount of money from different patrons, which he of course, did not turn over to Mr. Schroeder. Justice Fowler adjudged that there was probable cause and sent him to jail in default of $50 bond for his appearance at Criminal Court.

Fire at Fourth and Campbell.

About 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon fire was discovered in the branch store of Mr George O. Gaylord on corner of Fourth and Campbell streets. It originated from a defective flue extending through the second floor from below and did considerable damage amounting to probably $100. Hose Reel Company No. 1, across the street from the store, responded to a still alarm and quickly extinguished the flames.

THE ORDER OF ELKS AND THEIR DOINGS.

Wilmington Lodge No. 532 Instituted Yesterday—Thirty Members Initiated. Banquet at The Orton Last Night.

The Benevolent Protective Order of Elks took the town yesterday. The Winston team which came down to institute the Wilmington lodge had the right of way and freedom of the city, and the purpose for which they came was performed in accordance with the sublime rites of the order.

The novitiates met at Pythian Castle hall at 10 A. M., and the Winston team, headed by District Deputy W. J. Roberts, initiated thirty Elks. The initiation was in progress till 12 30 P. M., when a recess was taken till 2 30 P. M. The mysteries of the work were resumed at that hour and were continued till 7 P. M. The last two members were initiated by the home team, and they did the work in a manner that made the ancient Elks proud of them.

After the initiation of new Elks, Wilmington Lodge 532 was instituted by the election of the following officers:

Exalted Ruler—H. J. Gerken.
Esteemed Leading Knight—W. A. French, Jr.
Esteemed Loyal Knight—Dr. Chas. T. Harper.
Esteemed Lecturing Knight—James W. Monroe.
Esquire—Dr. Thos. B. Carroll.
Treasurer—C. C. Chadbourn.
Secretary—Thos. H. Wright.
Tiler—John R. Turrentine, Jr.
Inner Guard—Julius Taylor.
Trustees—Ike Bear, Sr., R. W. Wallace, E. J. Powers.

Banquet Last Night.

The initiatory and instituting proceedings of the Elks at Pythian hall closed last night at 7 P. M., and at 10.30 o'clock the Wilmington Lodge gave a magnificent banquet at The Orton.

The capacious dining room were handsomely decorated by M. Will Rehder, the decorations consisting of bamboo, moss and potted plant.

The tables were arranged in the shape of a cross, and the banquet was elegantly served, while an orchestra dispensed classic Cripple Dickian selections from a recess in the dining room.

At one end of the table was seated Mr. W. J. Roberts, District Deputy, and at the other, Mr. Frank H. Stedman, toast master.

The banquet was stylishly served under the expert supervision of Mr. J. H. Hinton, The Orton's steward, who is a connoisseur of the art. The following was the menu:

Cocktail.
Blue Points on the Half Shell.
Celery. Sauterne.
Olives. Salted Almonds.
Broiled Spanish Mackerel au Beaurre.
Pomes Parisienne.
Sliced Tomatoes. Sherry.
Filet of Tenderloin aux Champignons.
Asparagus on Toast, Sauce Hollandaise.
Radishes. Claret.
Roast Quail, Maitre d'Hotel,
Lettuce Salad Green Peas.
Champagne.
Ice Cream En Formis.
Assorted Cake. Fruits.
Wafers. Coffee.
Cigars. Cognac.

When in the midst of the banquet, Toastmaster Stedman introduced the toast makers, and toasts were made as follows:

Our Distinguished District Deputy—His name is Roberts, but he will find no Boers (spelled any way) here—W. A. French, Jr.

Response—The Eminent District Deputy W. J. Roberts.

The Elks as an Order—Mr. C. F. Tomlinson, of Winston.

All the World's a Stage—Mr. Sam Bear, Jr.

Our Visiting Brethren—Mr. James W. Monroe.

The Original Elk was an Irish Bird—Mr. J. M. Wilson, of Winston.

The toasts were very happy, and after the regular set there were impromptu responses by Messrs. L. Stein, T. W. Watson, H. J. Gerken, H. L. Riggins, Mr. James, W. Jackson, of the *Messenger;* Mr. P. H. Lybrook, of Winston, Mr. Sterling Smith, of Winston, Mr. A. B. Bynum, of Winston; Mr. Sam'l Bear, Jr., of Princess street; Mr. J. H. Foote, of Winston; Mr. C. L. Bunting, of Raleigh; Mr. W. J. Martin, of the *Messenger;* Mr. T. W. Clawson, of the STAR; Mr. George Hanes, of Wilmington; Mr. R. W. Wallace, the first Elk of Wilmington, and others.

The festivities continued long into the morning but as it was time for the STAR scribe to leave, he lost the record.

Mr. J. E. O'Donnell, of Grand Rapids, Mich., who was here last Spring representing the National Cash Register, started the movement which resulted in the organization of the lodge yesterday. The Elks regret that he was not here, but they had with them the next best man, Mr. Louis Stein, of this city, an ancient Elk, who was one of the most potent influences in the organization of the lodge.

Where was John Sweeney last night?

What is the matter with your hat?

"Hear the Other Side."

A correspondent writes the STAR as follows:

It is a pardonable mistake of the advocates of the dog ordinance to imagine that it is indorsed by a large majority of our "best people." In my humble opinion, it is the most unpopular measure that ever passed a Board of Aldermen in Wilmington; and if not repealed before the Summer months come there will be "gnashing of teeth" by the dogs and "weeping and wailing" by the present friends of the ordinance.

T. JEFFERSON DOGG.

IMMANUEL SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Gave Annual Christmas Festival Last Night in the Church Annex—Novel Distribution of Presents.

Immanuel Presbyterian Sunday School gave its annual Christmas entertainment last night in the annex of the church and it was thoroughly enjoyed by the pupils of the school and a large number of their friends.

The tree was a very pretty one and was bountifully supplied with gifts, which were drawn in quite a novel and interesting way. There was a bank, presided over by Miss Lane as "cashier," and Miss Annie Savage as "teller." Each of the children applied at the "bank" for a check, which was drawn in the usual form and good for a present on the tree, which was given to the payee by Santa Claus, who was admirably impersonated by Mr. Sam Brittain, with beard and gilded vestment.

The committee of arrangements, to whom much credit is due for the excellent way in which the programme was rendered, was composed of Miss Lane, as chairman, assisted by the other teachers in the Sunday school, who are Miss Annie Savage, Mrs. D. C. Whitted and Miss Florence Bonitz. Miss Bonitz has charge of the infant department, and the splendid training displayed by the members of the same was a handsome compliment to her ability in this direction. The recitation by Miss Ramsey and carol by Misses Kate Hall and Josie Kermon are deserving of special mention, and were warmly applauded.

The following programme was rendered:

Christmas Carol, by the choir.
Recitation, by Miss Lane's class.
Recitation and song, by the infant class.
Recitation, by Miss Annie Ramsey.
Song, "Sweetest Story," by the infant class.
Carol, by Misses Kate Hall and Josie Kermon.
Address, by the pastor.
Song, by the choir.
Benediction.

COLORED MAN KILLED.

Wilson Smith, of Navassa Station, Died Yesterday of Injuries Received in a Fight Thursday Night.

From the effects of blows received on the head with an axe helve in the hands of James Edwards, a colored store-keeper at Navassa station, Thursday night, Wilson Smith, another colored man, died early yesterday morning at his home near Sturgeon Creek

The facts in the case as they were learned from officers in search of Edwards yesterday, are as follows:

Smith went into the store of Edwards Thursday night and there an altercation ensued over a quarrel started in the store. Edwards ordered Smith out of the store when Smith threw a knife at him which stuck in his right temple. Edwards also received a cut on the other side of the head and retaliated by striking Smith two severe blows on the head with an axe-handle which felled him. He was taken out of the store and carted to his home, where he subsequently died, as stated.

Edwards came over to the city immediately and had his wounds dressed by Dr. J. H. Alston, the colored physician.

Yesterday morning before it was ascertained in the city that Smith had died, Edwards went to George W. Price, the colored justice of the peace, and offered to submit his case, but Justice Price told him that he had no jurisdiction in the matter, as the offence had been committed in Brunswick county. Edwards left the office and has not been seen or heard of since. A short while after the offer to surrender, information reached Sheriff MacRae of the killing and he immediately procured a warrant and is exhausting every effort to catch the negro, but thus far his efforts and those of other officers have been without avail, and Edwards is still at large.

He is generally consider d as an inoffensive man and his associates contend that the killing of Smith was in a measure justifiable.

HON. JOHN D. BELLAMY.

The Belief Is General That He Will Retain His Seat.

Mr. Josephus Daniels, editor of the *News and Observer*, writes his paper as follows from Washington:

Speaking of contests: I have not seen Mr. Bellamy, who is at home eating Christmas turkey, which he doubtless got in Brunswick county and stuffed it with some of Dr. Porter's fine oysters. But I was gratified to hear from all sources that the belief is general that he will not be disturbed in his seat. He has been "as wise as a serpent and as harmless as a dove," and has already made many friends here in all parties. His case is impregnable and when presented by his able attorneys, he is certain to win unless the Republican majority feels the need of a few additional votes. Even then it is believed that there are many Republicans who will not permit their party to be guilty of the crime of turning out a man with 6,000 majority when his contestant does not claim to have been elected. I found some Republicans here who think Dockery has no chance. They all know that if Bellamy were unseated he would be re-elected by a bigger majority and see how useless it would be to unseat him for a little temporary row that could by no possibility inure to the benefit of the Republican party.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency has excellent facilities for selling farms and timbered lands. It advertises all property and makes only a nominal charge unless a sale is made. For terms etc., address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C.

SECOND STREET STORES RAIDED BY BURGLARS.

Mr. A. G. Hankins' Grocery and Mr. A. S. Winstead's Confectionery Broken Into. Some Goods and Money Stolen.

A burglar or burglars broke into Mr. A. G. Hankins' grocery store, No. 21 North Second street, some time between mid-night and day yesterday morning. Entrance to the store was gained through a window at the back end of the store. The window was secured by heavy battened shutters with an iron bar across them on the outside, but the burglar cut off the heads of the wrought nails in all four of the hinges and removed them. One of the long hinges was then used to bend the bar, so the shutter could be pushed up This done, the window sash was raised, and in the thief went. The burglar went to the money drawer and took out the keys to the back door but failed to take about twenty cents in coppers, the only change that had been left in it. Four hams which were hanging on a rack within eight feet of the front door were taken down but yesterday morning Mr. Hankins' clerk found them in a bag sitting by the back door. The burglar had tried to unlock the back door to get out but he failed to do so, and carried of the keys, probably intending to come back for the hams, The only goods missed were a lot of chewing tobacco, smoking tobacco and cigars, but no doubt other articles were stolen.

Mr. A. S. Winstead's confectionery, 113 and 115 North Second street, was also raided. Some of the weather boarding of the warehouse at the rear of the store was ripped off and entrance to the store was effected through a connecting door. Mr. Winstead did not miss any goods but doubtless the burglar carried away something for his trouble. The only thing missed was about $1.50 in coppers which had been left in the cash register. The register had been left open and the thief had no occasion to break it.

This makes the third time Mr. Hankins' store has been entered in the last year or so, and the fifth time Mr. Winstead has had a call from mid night thieves.

IMPROMPTU GERMAN.

Given at the Masonic Temple Last Night Complimentary to Visiting Young Ladies—Those Present.

A fitting climax to a series of beautiful Christmas dances was the impromptu german, complimentary to visiting young ladies, given last night in the ball room of the Masonic Temple by a number of prominent young gentlemen of this city. About thirty couples participated and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

The german was led by Mr. William J. Bellamy.

Among those present were Miss Penelope Myers, of Washington, with Mr. Henry McMillan; Miss Gertrude Bush, of Raleigh, with Mr. George D. Crow; Miss Clarkson, of Charlotte, with Mr. Charles Elliott; Miss Wyatt, of Wadesboro, with Mr. James. N. Stevenson; Mrs. T. G. Empie, of Brooklyn, N. Y., with Mr. Adam Empie; Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy with Mr. R. Beverly Mason, Miss Octavia Boatwright with Mr. A. B. Elliott; Miss Maie O'Connor with Mr. Henry MacFarlane; Miss Olive Armstrong with Mr. James G. Cotchett; Miss Mary Calder with Mr. William C. Crow; Miss Leonora Cantwell with Mr. W. C. Ragin; Miss Beulah Armstrong with Mr. T. Edward Brown; Miss Sallie McRee with Mr J. McRee Hatch; Miss sElizabeth Emerson with Mr. Nash DeRosset; Miss Nellie Emerson with Mr. Champ Davis; Miss Fair Payne with Mr. H. M. Chase; Miss Mabel Powers with Mr. H. L. Sanders; Miss Mary Nash with Mr. Robert Nash; Miss Alice Borden with Mr. Charles Green; Miss Jeanie Peck with Mr. Edwin A. Metts; Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Stone, and Messrs. W. H. Peterson of Goldsboro; Walter Whiting Vick of Atlanta: Marsden Bellamy, Jr., E. J. Wood, W. A. Martin, Jr., M. C. Elliott, and A. J. Thomas.

The chaperones were Mrs. Frederick Poisson, Mrs. T. M. Emerson and Mrs. Munds.

Seized Still and Whiskey Sold.

Deputy Collector of Revenue W. J. Sutton, of Bladen county, who recently seized the still fixtures and whiskey on hand at the distillery of H. E Truelove, in Brunswick county, for a technical violation of the revenue law, was here yesterday and sold the property so seized.

The still which was government registered, No. 3,392, and the fermenters, tubs and other fixtures, were bid in by Mr. R. L. Truelove, brother of the owner of the libeled still. The price bid was $54 75. One hundred and two gallons of whiskey were bid in for J. W. Ingold, manager of the Cumberland county dispensary for $1.12½ a gallon.

United States Commissioner Edward P. Powers, of Fayetteville, who was here on government business, attended the sale, which took place at 2 P. M. at the Custom House.

For the Christmas Holidays.

The Atlantic Coast Line will sell round trip tickets at the rate of one and one-third first class fare from important points to any point east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, including Washington, D. C., and between local stations. Tickets to be sold December 22d to 25th, inclusive, and December 30th to January 1st, inclusive; final limit January 4th, 1900.

24th, 27th, 29th, 30th.

THE DOG MEN.

They Held a Meeting Last Night—A General Meeting of Dog Owners Called at the City Hall To-night.

A number of the owners of valuable dogs held a meeting last night at 8 o'clock at the office of Mr. John H. Brown, in the Seaboard Air Line building, to consider the best method of dealing with the recent action of the Board of Aldermen in making permanent the ordinance requiring dogs to be muzzled, or confined, or kept under control, in view of the mad dog scare.

Mr. James S. Worth was called to the chair and Mr. H. G. Fennell was made secretary.

There was a good attendance and after the matter had been thoroughly discussed a committee, consisting of Messrs. S. Worth, J. C. Lodor and John H. Brown, was appointed to call a meeting of the dog owners of the city to decide as to the best steps to take in the matter.

The committee last night sent the STAR the following announcement:

"The owners of dogs or those interested in the recent action of the Board of Aldermen, in having passed the ordinance muzzling and restricting dogs on the streets of Wilmington, are requested to meet at the city hall to-night at 8 o'clock to devise some other methods than that taken, which is now in force. All owners of dogs are earnestly requested to attend and enter their protest. A special invitation is extended the Board of Aldermen and all physicians"

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. T. Ludwig, of Fair Bluff, spent yesterday in the city.

— Mr. M. L Ham, of Morven, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. H. Shearin, of Castle Haynes, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. F. W. King, of Forest City, arrived here on a visit yesterday.

— Walter H. Neal, Esq., of Laurinburg, was in the city on professional business yesterday.

— Mr. N. N. Bryan, of Charlotte, formerly of Wrightsville, was in the city on business yecterday.

— Mr. W. I. Taylor returned yesday morning to Davidson College where he is a student in the medical class.

— Miss Barbara C. Mallard, of Greeleyville, S. C., is visiting in the city, the guest of Mrs. T. D. Love, No. 223 South Front street.

— Mr. Walker W. Vick, of the Atlanta office of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company and so well known and popular here, is in the city, spending a few days.

— Mr. John H. Andrews, of Raleigh, who for the past few days has been visiting in the city, the guest of his friend Wm. J. Bellamy, Esq, left yesterday for his home.

— Mr. J. J. Crosswell, of Fayetteville, route agent of the Southern Express Company, arrived in the city yesterday from the South. His friends here are always glad to see him.

Raising Up of Chiefs.

Last night, the twenty-ninth sleep of the hunting moon, Eyota Tribe No. 5, Improved Order of Red Men, kindled the camp fires in its wigwam, once the Bee Hive, and raised up the following chiefs to follow the chase for the ensuing term:

Sachem—F. P. LeGwin.
Senior Sagamore—J. A. Martin.
Junior Sagamore—F. K. J. Fuchs.
Prophet—J. W. Robinson.
Chief of Records—J. M. McGowan.
Keeper of Wampum—E. P. H. Strunck.
Hall Keeper—J. R. Davis.

Approaching Foot Ball Game.

Manager Joe Loughlin, of the foot ball eleven of Col. Walker Taylor's Boys Brigade, had his men out for practice last night, as did also Manager Sinclair, of the High School team—both in anticipation of the game for New Year's day. The teams will not suffer for practice before the day for which the game is scheduled, and some fine playing is assured.

The Brigade eleven is requested to meet to-night on the grounds on Front street, between Church and Castle, for the final practice.

Woodward-Warren Company.

The advance sale of seats for the Woodward-Warren Company will begin this morning. Already a number of seats have been spoken for, and every indication points to the largest audience of the season Monday night. "Beyond the City" will be the play, and those who may attend are sure to be pleased with the performance.

Surprise Party.

A delightful surprise party was given last night at the residence of Mr. D. McEachern, No. 111 South Seventh street, at which there were present quite a large party of young people, who enjoyed an evening of genuine pleasure. Refreshments were served and there was music by Foster's String Band.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

DIED.

ROWAN—In this city, at 1.30 A. M., Saturday, December 30th, 1899, MAY ROWAN, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rowan, aged 11 years and 4 months.

Funeral private to-day from residence on North Fifth Street.

SERIES NO. 19.

Mechanics' Home Association.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE ORDERED SERIES NINETEEN TO BE ISSUED.

Payments will begin on Saturday 6th January, 1900. This Association is one of the largest and most successful in the State; controlling ample capital we are always able to accommodate our stockholders. Subscription list is now open at the office of

NATHL. JACOBI, President. W. M. CUMMING, Secretary.

dec 30 3w

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

To one and all, and may the coming of 1900 bring prosperity to the friends and patrons who have been kind enough to make the "New Store" Headquarters for Men's Furnishings.

A. SHRIER, OUTFITTER TO MANKIND.

Bell 'Phone 565. dec 30 tf

Church Notices.

Bladen Street Methodist Church: Rev. R. F. Bumpass will preach at 11 A. M., and Rev. J. W. Craig at the evening service.

Immanuel Church: Services at 11 A. M. and 7 30 P. M by Rev. Edward E. Lane. Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 7.3. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

Chapel of the Good Shepherd, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday School at 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

Fifth Street M. E. Church, South, Rev. J. H. Hall, pastor. Services at 11 A. M. and 8 15 P. M. every Sunday. Sunday School at 3 30 P. M. Prayer meeting at 8 15 P. M. Wednesdays.

First Baptist Church, corner of Market and Fifth streets, Rev. Calvin S. Blackwell, D. D., pastor; 11 A. M., sermon by Rev. G. L. Finch. 8.30 P. M., "The Last Day and the Last Hour."

Regular religious services at Seamen's Bethel will be conducted to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev Edward E. Lane. Seamen and rivermen are especially invited. All are welcome.

First Presbyterian Church: Divine service at 11 A. M. and 7. 0 P. M by Rev. Hay Watson Smith. Sunday School at 3 30 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursdays at 8 P. M. The public cordially invited.

Southside Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets, Rev. R. H. Herring, pastor. Services 11 o'clock A. M. and 7 3. P. M. Sunday School at 3 P. M. Prayer meeting service every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock.

St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, corner Fourth and Campbell streets, Rev. Alex. D. McClure, pastor. Sabbath services at 11 A. M. and 7 30 P. M. Sabbath school at 3.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday 8 P. M. The public cordially invited. Seats free.

Second Advent Baptist Church, between Castle and Church streets. Preaching by the pastor, Eld r E. Fisher, at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.; Sunday School at 4 P M. Prayer meetings Tuesday and Friday nights at 8. Strangers and visitors cordially invited. Seats free.

Brooklyn Baptist Church, corner Fourth and Brunswick streets Rev. J. J. Rayseur pastor. Services to-morrow at 11 A. M. and 8 P. M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M Weekly prayer and praise meeting Wednesday at 8 P. M. Strangers and visitors are cordially invited to all services.

Grace M. E. Church, corner of Grace and Fourth streets. Pastor, Rev. J. N. Cole. Services Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. and 7 30 p. m. Sunday School, J H Davis, supt., 3.30 p. m. Weekly prayer meeting Wednesday at 8.00 p. m. A cordial welcome to all. Visitors to the city especially invited Seats free.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses For Rent. One of the most desirable stores in the city, now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company will be vacant from Oct. 1st.

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Dividend Notice.

The Directors of the Carolina Insurance Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of 3 per cent., payable on Jan 2, 1900.

dec 29 3t M. S. WILLARD, Secretary.

HAMME, THE HATTER,

Comes to the front with thanks to his "Friends" and the public for the good Xmas trade, and begs their patronage for 1900. Latest styles and lowest prices.

dec 30 tf No. 26 North Front street.

THANKS. . . .

We thank our friends very much for their liberal patronage during 1899.

We shall do our very best to please you during 1900.

W. B. COOPER, Wholesale Grocer, Wilmington, N. C.

dec 30 tf

Vegetable Baskets.

A CAR-LOAD JUST IN.

SEED POTATOES.

Time to cast about for BEST SEED. WE HAVE THEM.

Get our prices on

MOLASSES AND SYRUPS

before placing your orders.

HALL & PEARSALL, WHOLESALE GROCERS.

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I am now serving

-HOT-

CHOCOLATE

At my Soda Counter.

STOP AND TRY A CUP.

Served in the latest style with Milk and Cream.

5c.

J. W. PLUMMER, Jr., 304 Princess street.

Inter-State 'Phone 138. dec 30 tf

Crockery,

GLASSWARE, &c.

WE ARE AGENTS FOR

Libbey's Celebrated

Cut Glass

Our Motto, NO FANCY PRICES, will Be strictly carried out. And is a Safe Guarantee to you that you are Buying right.

O. P. CAZAUX & CO.

dec 24 tf

- - CIGARS. - -

VOLLERS & HASHAGEN,

Representing Powell, Smith & Co. We are distributors for their

El Capitan General, 10c.
Union League Club, - 10c.
Cuban Blossom, - - - - 5c.
Renown, - - - - - - - - - 5c.
Santa Bama, - - - - - - 5c.

"War Eagle," "Old Glory" and "Match It" Cheroots.

No matter how fine or how cheap a dealer's trade may be, the above brands are not to be surpassed. Give the smokers a chance at them and they will sell rapidly There are all kinds of goods, but the brands mentioned will whip the others to death. We are also dealers in all grades

. . . TOBACCO . . .

VOLLERS & HASHAGEN, PROVISIONS.

dec 10 tf

Firecrackers and Penny Candy--

We known you remember the place to get the best Xmas Goods. But let us remind you that more Xmas Goods than usual will be sold this season, and we have bought to supply our customers—

Cocoanuts, Oranges, Apples, Mixed Nuts, Candies, Cakes, Firecrackers, Cigars, Cigarettes, Fancy Goods and Everything.

We get the best prices for your Turkeys and Eggs. Enough said Come along.

T. D. LOVE, 24 North Water Street.

Steamer for Fayetteville Mondays and Thursdays. Passengers, freight and towage. For rates apply to T D. LOVE, General Agent. dec 12 tf

Bagging & Ties.

Nuts, Candies, Raisins, Cocoanuts and Apples,

and a full line of

HEAVY GROCERIES.

For sale cheap by

WILLIAMS BROS.,

WHOLESALE GROCERS.

16 and 18 North Water street. Write for Prices.

We will have Rice Straw during this week. dec 10 tf

The Wave of Prosperity

Heralded to sweep over the entire land has evidently gone South, via the Atlantic Coast Line Short Cut.

Buyers of Holiday Presents can make their own prices, if not below cost, till my stock reaches its normal condition.

N. F. PARKER.

Furniture and Furniture Novelties, No. 17 South Front Street.

dec 21 tf

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily—except Monday $5.00 a year $2.50 for six months, $1.25 for three months, 50 cents for one months to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 45 cents per month for any period from one month to one year.

ADVERTISING RATES (DAILY)—One square one day, $1.00; two days $1.75; three days, $2.50; four days $3.00; five days $3.50; one week, $4.00; two weeks $6.50; three weeks $8.50; one month, $12.00; two months, $17.00; three months $24.00; six months, $40.00; twelve months, $80.00. Ten lines of solid Nonpariel type make one square.

THE WEEKLY STAR is published every Friday morning at $1.00 per year, 50 cents for six months 30 cents for three months.

All announcements of Fairs, Festivals, Balls, Hops, Picnics, Society meetings, Political Meetings &c., will be charged regular advertising rates.

Advertisements discontinued before the time contracted for has expired charged transient rates for time actually published.

No advertisements inserted in Local Columns at any price.

All announcements and recommendations of candidates for office, whether in the shape of communications or otherwise, will be charged as advertisements.

Payments for transient advertisements must be made in advance. Known parties or strangers with proper reference, may pay monthly or quarterly, according to contract.

Remittances in sums of $5 by Check, Draft, Postal Money Order, Express or in Registered Letter. Only such remittances will be at the risk of the publisher.

Communications, unless they contain important news or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and, if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected if the real name of the author is withheld.

Notices of Marriage or Death, Tributes of Respect, Resolutions of Thanks, &c., are charged for as ordinary advertisements, but only half rates when paid for strictly in advance. At this rate 50 cents will pay for a simple announcement of Marriage or Death.

Advertisements inserted once a week in Daily will be charged $1.00 per square for each insertion. Every other day three-fourths of daily rate. Twice a week two-thirds of daily rate.

Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge at transient rates.

Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent extra.

Advertisements to follow reading matter, or to occupy any special place, will be charged extra according to the position desired.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 30.

"A PERIL TO EUROPE."

The progress that Americans have made within the past decade in getting a foothold in the markets of the world for their manufactures has caused a very uneasy feeling among European manufacturers and filled some of them with alarm at the danger of Americans wresting their markets from them and driving them from the field. While the success of the Americans was confined to certain specialties, in the manufacture of which they had acquired particular skill and excelled, European manufacturers did not give much thought to it or feel much concern, but when they became successful competitors in lines of manufactures which the Europeans controlled and had a seeming monopoly of, then the matter began to assume a serious aspect, and has been growing more serious with every encroachment upon their fields.

English iron makers, for instance, were not much alarmed when Alabama shipped pig iron to England and sold it for less than the English iron makers could afford to sell it, because they thought that the amount which would be shipped would be so small as not to seriously affect them, and the manufacturers congratulated themselves at the prospect of getting the iron they needed at a lower price than they had been paying, thus forcing the English iron makers to come down to Alabama figures. But when the Americans began to ship iron and steel in the various finished forms, including everything from a locomotive to a table knife, then not only the iron makers but the manufacturers of iron and steel articles saw trouble ahead. They realized that they had not to compete with certain American specialties only, but to compete all along the line, not only in the other markets in which they had their customers but in their own home markets.

We do not know who Mr. Georges Wenlersse is, but he has raised an exciting cry of alarm in an article contributed to the *Grand Revue* of Paris, entitled "The Conquest of the World by the United States," the substance of which is thus given in a Paris dispatch. Declaring that the extraordinary vitality of American industry is a "peril to Europe," he says:

"In less than eighteen years, American exportations have trebled.

"It is no more a Napoleon's conquest of the world by arms. The Yankees are doing it with work.

"The United States can ruin Europe commercially as effectually as if with arms.

"Our banks will fail, our factories will be ruined and our workman will be starved to death by this American conqu-st.

"A revolution in the economic equilibrium of the globe is being brought about by the United States. It commenced in the Orient under England's nose with the introduction into China and Japan of American cottons, leathers, machines, tools and electric motors.

"In India, trains roll on American rails.

"In Cape Colony the United States has introduced its iron, motors and tools and has founded factories.

"The English were obliged to go to Philadelphia to order the construction of the great steel bridge at Atbara.

"From Jersey City 300 wagons of steel have been ordered for the land of the Pharoahs. Electric cars are sent from Pittsburg to Cairo."

"These facts, Wenlersse says, are more than economic signs. They have a grandeur worthy of attention.

"American rails and American machinery have invaded even Europe and if the universal superiority of Uncle Sam continues to grow the commerce of the seas will soon be monopolized by him.

"Europe need well be alarmed at the prodigous expansion of this new leviathan people. At the rate at which it is now going on, the Americans will have ruined all others before twenty years more have passed."

This gentleman is evidently excited and we think somewhat unnecessarily alarmed, although he states facts as to the progress Americans have made in snatching supremacy from their European rivals. Their success has doubtless caused much surprise in the old world and possibly has been somewhat of a surprise to themselves. They did not look for so much success, because until quite recently they had not made any serious systematic efforts to compete with European manufacturers on their own ground. Under the high tariff protective system they were content to exploit the home market, and having a monopoly of that, were content with the profits they made out of it, and made no effort to extend their trade to foreign countries. They did, it is true, ship some manufactures to other countries, and sold them for less than they demanded for the same articles at home, but they said that they did this to get rid of a surplus or of stock that was unsalable at home. But with the increase in manufactories and the consequent increase in the output, they largely overstocked the home market, made more than could be consumed, and it became necessary to find other markets or reduce their output. This was not practicable as a regular thing, for it necessitated too much derangement of business methods, too much idleness of employes and of plants, resulting in too much idle capital, and hence they resolved on the more business-like and wiser course, which was to strike for the world market and win customers in that. Having resolved upon this, they pursued it with the characteristic American energy and the result was success that exceeded their expectations, and was regarded as marvellous by their European competitors, who are now asking themselves where all this is to end.

It isn't hard to understand this when we do a little thinking upon it. There has been much talk of cheap labor on the other side of the two oceans, but the cheap labor question cuts a very small figure in it. If it were a feature of much importance Americans would not be as much dreaded in foreign markets as they are to-day. This success is the result of the variety, abundance and cheapness of our raw materials, of the inventive genius to devise and construct machinery to do work more quickly and better than it could be done by hand, and the dash and energy that never tire when they begin, and that surmount obstacles, while others would be debating the ways to get around them.

Some of the most signal triumphs won by Americans in Europe were won by men who contracted to do and did do in a few months what European manufacturers would not undertake to do in three times that time. The introduction of American machinery has hastened the completion of the Trans-Siberian railway a year or more, and when the Russians first saw this machinery throwing up dirt and cutting away rock they marvelled at the genius that conceived and constructed it. Now American machinery of various kinds has an open market in Russia and is eagerly sought. So when you get down to the bottom of it, it is American genius and American energy that win victories, by utilizing the resources they have at hand.

THE NEGRO ELIMINATED.

The State of Tennessee isn't much bothered with the ignorant negro vote, which she has managed to eliminate in a quiet, effective way. How she did it is thus told by the Richmond *Dispatch*:

"We have published letters from several Southern States giving synopses of their requirements with reference to suffrage. We are now able to present some information from Tennessee. In that State in 1889 what is know as the Dortch law was passed. That law provides for registration in the counties having large cities, such as Memphis, Knoxville, Chattanooga, and Nashville, and also in some of the other counties having large towns. It is also necessary that the voter shall have a poll tax receipt for the year previous to the one in which he votes. The Australian ballot system is used, but no devices are placed over the names of candidates. Candidates for office are grouped in alphabetical order in one column, but it is not necessary to group the offices in alphabetical order. A voter makes his choice by placing a mark opposite the name of the person for whom he desires to cast his ballot.

"We are informed that under this simple law the negro has been entirely eliminated as a political factor. An additional law was passed about a year ago forbidding payment of poll-taxes in blocks. Each peason must pay his poll tax or give another person power of attorney so to do."

Under this law there is not only an educational qualification but a tax qualification also, although it is not called an educational qualification. It is not stated in this extract whether the voter who can't read may have the assistance of any one in marking the names of those whom he wishes to vote for, but the presumption is that he has not.

The precaution taken to prevent the payment of taxes in blocks cuts off the paying of taxes for voters to secure their votes, a practice which is common in some Northern States where the payment of poll tax is a requisite to suffrage. Practically this Tennessee law is more stringent than the proposed constitutional amendment in this State, but we do not hear any howling about it.

A Boston man named Bean is missing. Beans do not often escape after they get into that town.

SAFE — DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP — SURE

Cures a Cough or Cold at once. Conquers Croup without fail. Is the best for Bronchitis, Grippe, Hoarseness, Whooping-Cough, and for the cure of Consumption. Mothers praise it. Doctors prescribe it. Small doses; quick, sure results.

FOR ALL LUNG TROUBLE

BECOMING A PROBLEM IN THE NORTH.

The race problem is not confined to the South, although it attracts more attention here than it does in the North on account of the large negro population. But it is becoming a serious question in some of the Northern cities, which have proved attractive enough to the negroes to draw large numbers of them. This is especially the case in New York and Chicago, where the number of negroes has greatly increased and criminality in proportion. The fact is the bad negro is worse up there than he is down here.

Prof. Walter F. Wilcox, of Cornell University, N. Y., who is also chief statistician of the census office, has been investigating the subject of negro criminality in the South and North and finds that in proportion to numbers it is greater in the North than in the South. His investigations show that in 1890 there were in the Northern prisons 12 white persons to every 10,000 of white population, and 69 negroes to every 10,000 blacks, over five times as many. For the South he finds by the same census figures that the negro criminals increased between 1880 and 1890, 29 per cent., while the white convicts increased only 8 per cent., the increase of negro convicts being more than three times as great as the whites. In States where slavery had not existed, the increase in white criminality was 7 per cent., while the increase of negro criminals was 39 per cent., faster than the increase in the negro population.

That was the record of ten years ago, and it has been getting worse instead of better, so much worse that some of the Northern cities have been seriously discussing the advisability of adopting some measures to prevent the influx of negroes.

The little town of San Jacinto, in Southern California, was badly wrecked by the earthquake shock Christmas day. About $50,000 damage was done to buildings, stocks of goods under fallen walls, and a half dozen Indian squaws were killed. They had been taking too much booze at a dance the night before, and were too much stupified to be aroused by the racket.

The ice harvesters in Maine have have been showing signs of uneasiness over the prospect of a crop failure in consequence of the unfavorable mild winter so far. Those fellows get scared every winter and seem to forget that when J. Frost gets to work he can make more ice in a couple days and nights than they can harvest in a month.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— General Wood says that the first necessary step to the proper government of Cuba is to make it clean. If General Wood should propose compulsory baths for the population of the island there would be a terrible rush of emigration.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— The most discreditable thing we know against the American soldier is his readiness to apply for pension, with or without cause. Twenty-five thousand applications for pensions have already been filed on behalf of soldiers of the recent war with Spain, a ratio of one application to every twelve enlisted men. *Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— The ex parte case against Senator Clark of Montana is pretty bad, looked at without prejudice. The Governor of Montana indorsed Clark's credentials with the statement that he believed the office was bought. Yet the senate seated Clark, who seems to be a first-class felon, and the house refused to swear in Roberts, who is at the worst a mere misdemeanant!—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

—— Lawton fell in battle at San Mateo, within thirteen miles of Manila. Scores of "victories" have been credited to the army since the occupation of the city, the net result is that we are still fighting for the possession of the country that might have been swept bare by our battleships. When we said in the beginning that the United States had undertaken another Seminole war we spoke truer words than we thought.—*Jacksonville Times-Union and Citizen, Dem.*

— Wright—"Old Dreiboan's book is having a wonderful sale." Penner—"You surprise me! Of course the book has merit, but it's the dryest kind of a scientific treatise." Wright—"True. But you see one of the reviewers referred to it as 'an immortal work,' and the typo made it 'immoral.'"—*Philadelphia Press.*

No Right To Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has consumption or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good-looking, charming woman of a run down invalid. Only 50 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhœa. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by druggists in every part of the world. Twenty five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other. †

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: To-day Mr. J. W. Ingold, manager of the Cumberland County Dispensary, turned over to the Treasurer of the county twelve hundred dollars for the benefit of the school fund and a like amount was also turned over to the city Treasurer. This shows an increase in the net profits of this concern to the amount of twelve hundred dollars more than any previous quarter. This indicates that the manager and directors are making it a successful dispensary anywhere.

— Statesville *Mascot*: Mrs. Elizabeth Combs Somers, wife of Mr. W. Vance Somers, was so badly burned Wednesday afternoon at her home on Front street that she died that night at 11 30 o'clock. Mrs. Somers was lying on a lounge in front of the fire with her little boy. She put the child to sleep, and then fell asleep herself. A spark ignited her clothing and she was awakened. She ran into the hall when the blaze enveloped her. Her son and daughter were in the dining room eating dinner, and they discovered their mother in the hallway. They ran to her and her son jerked his overcoat off and tried to extinguish his mother's flaming garments, and his hands were badly burned. Her daughter threw two buckets of water on her mother, and the flames were extinguished only after most of Mrs Somers' clothing was burned off and she was horribly burned from her waist to her head. Drs. M R. Adams and H F Long were sent for and they did what they could for her, but she suffered horribly until death came.

—Miss Mamie Stevenson, of Iredell station, was bitten yesterday by a dog. There was some reason to believe that the dog had hydrophobia, and in order to be on the side of safety, Dr. M W. Hill was summoned yesterday afternoon.

— Raleigh *Post*: Mr. H. B. Lineberry, the editor of the Chatham Citizen, states that three deaths have occurred in Chatham recently from smallpox. The disease, he reports, has also broken out in the colored school at Cumnock. The deaths in Chatham occurred under very sad circumstances. A seven year old daughter of a colored woman named Mary Glover died some days ago from smallpox, and last Sunday the mother and an infant child were found dead in the house by the superintendent of the board of health. A five year old child, the last of the family, was found in the house alone with the dead. The little child is supposed to have been in the house several days with his dead mother and sister. No one attended the patients, because the entire community was afraid to approach the house. The county physician was forced to bury the dead, being unable to secure any one to assist him. Mr. Lineberry says the house has been burned by order of the county superintendent of health.

—— Deputy Collector J. P. H. Adams destroyed an illicit distillery near Smithfield last Saturday morning. The still, which was one of about seventy gallon capacity, is supposed to have belonged to a man named Creech. A large quantity of beer was destroyed. No arrests were made.

TWINKLINGS.

— Willie—"Ma, what's the meaning of a dead letter?" Ma—"One that I give your father to mail."

— He—"He has one good quality as a poet." She—"What's that?" He—"He never gets any of his stuff published."

— "Isn't Chappie doing anything to get rid of that carbuncle?" "No; he heard somewhere that the Prince of Wales had one."

— Her Mother—"Don't you find Jack Wheeler rather rough, Priscilla?" Priscilia—Yes, mamma. And yet he says he shaves every day."—*Harlem Life.*

— Willis—"Experience is the great teacher." Wallace—"Yes, I know; but a fellow would like to have a vacation now and then."—*Town Topics.*

— Krank—"He makes me tired. He's one of those people who are never satisfied to know a thing is so. They want the why and wherefore of it." Softleigh—"Yes; I wonder why that is."

— "No," said the editor of the magazine, "we cannot accept that article." "But the author is a man who has acquired a great reputation," protested the assistant. "True; but only in literature," returned the editor.—*Chicago Post.*

— Jack—"You know when Mabel rejected me last week I told you my troubles and you promised to help me. Well, she accepted me last night. Am I to thank you for interceding for me?" Cousin Belle—"Not exactly, dear boy. I simply intimated to Mabel that I was after you myself."—*Philadelphia Press.*

His Life Was Saved.

Mr. J. E Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvellous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and $1 00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

Electric Belt on Trial.

To introduce it and obtain agents, the undersigned firm will send a few of their Electric Belts on trial on the following terms: $1.00 to be paid in ten days if the Belt proves beneficial, and the balance, $2 00, to be paid in sixty days if the Belt effects a cure. These Belts are a positive cure for Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Kidney trouble, Stomach and Liver trouble, Asthma, etc. Address at once

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† P. O. Box 1874, New York, N. Y.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

Wilmington District, R. F. Bumpass, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Southport Dec 31, Jan. 1.
Burgaw, Burgaw Creek, Jan. 9 7.
Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, January 13, 14.
Magnolia, Magnolia, Jan 20, 21.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Jacksonville, Jan. 27, 28.
Carvers Creek, Wymans, Feb. 3, 4.
Scott's Hill, Prospect, Jan. 30.
Wilmington, Grace, Feb. 11, 12.
Bladen, Center, Feb. 17, 18.
Clinton, Johnson's, Feb 24, 25.
Kenansville, Kenansville, March 2, 4.
Waccamaw, Bethesda, March 9.
Whiteville, Whiteville, March 10, 11.
Zion, Zion, Feb 6.
Atlantic, Concord, Feb. 7.
Onslow, Bethlehem, March 18, 19.

FOX RIVER BUTTER.

A shipment of this CELEBRATED BUTTER just received.

Also, several car-loads of other Groceries.

Here to do business. Get my prices.

D. L. GORE,
Wholesale Grocer,
Wilmington, N. C.
dec 27 tf

FOR SALE.

Ten beautiful Upright Pianos in fancy cases.

Bargains for cash. Four good Square Pianos. One handsome Mathusher Baby Grand in Mahogany. All to be closed out

At Manufacturers' Cost

before removal to our new store, 109 Market street. Can save you from $50 to $ 00 during the holidays.

N. L. SMITH,
dec 22 tf 109 Dock street.

SANTAL-MIDY

Arrests discharges from the urinary organs in either sex in 48 hours. It is superior to Copaiba, Cubeb, or Injections, and free from all bad smell or other inconveniences.

SANTAL-MIDY is contained in small Capsules, which bear the name in black letters, without which none are genuine. MIDY

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Stmr A P Hurt, Robeson, Fayetteville, James Madden.
Lois V Chaples, 219 tons, Medero, Philadelphia, J T Riley & Co.
Barge Maria Dolores, 610 tons, Bonneau, Charleston, Navassa Guano Co.

CLEARED.

Br steamship Haslingden, Diggins, Bremen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

BREMEN—Br steamship Haslingden—6,635 bales cotton, 3,208,797 pounds, valued at $240,940; cargo and vessel by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—1 bale cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 25 barrels rosin.
W. C. & A. Railroad—202 bales cotton, 30 casks spirits turpentine, 3 barrels rosin, 8 barrels tar.
A. & Y. Railroad—29 bales cotton, 31 barrels tar.
W. & N. Railroad—131 barrels rosin.
Schooner Leah—10 barrels tar, 27 barrels crude turpentine.
Total—Cotton, 232 bales; 4 spirits turpentine, 34 casks; rosin, 149 barrels; tar, 49 barrels; crude turpentine, 27 barrels.

LIQUID AIR FOR BLASTING.

Experiments Made In the Presence of Austrian Army Engineers.

A series of tests of liquid air were made a few weeks ago by the Vienna Crystal Ice company in the presence of representatives of the Austrian technical military committee. The fluid was obtained from Linde's works in Munich and conveyed to Vienna in open flasks, having the Dewar vacuum jacket to check evaporation. When it was dispatched, the mixture contained 75 per cent of oxygen, but 72 hours later, when the stuff was used, enough nitrogen had evaporated to make the percentage of oxygen 85.

Cartridges were made of liquid air, mineral oil (petroleum) and kieselguhr. The oil seems to have taken the place of charcoal in gunpowder in supplying an inflammable material which would develop a large quantity of gas. The liquid air was almost pure oxygen and tended to promote combustion. The kieselguhr served the same purpose that it does in dynamite. It is a siliceous earth, used as an absorbent to hold the nitroglycerin. The cartridges are spoken of technically as "oxyligneite."

They were prepared in two ways. First, the kieselguhr and oil were mixed in a basin, and the liquid air was added gradually. The resulting paste was ladled into the cartridge case, which was coated with asbestus, probably to check the absorption of heat from surrounding substances. The second method of preparation was to charge the cartridge with kieselguhr and oil and add the liquid air later. The second set of cartridges were incased in sheet lead.

Owing to the intense cold, the men did not care to handle the cartridges vigorously, and there was difficulty in attaching detonators and fuses. In the meantime much of the oxygen evaporated, especially from the cartridges having lead cases. These latter proved weaker than the first set. One of them missed fire altogether. The cartridges were inserted in holes 30 inches deep in the rock when fired. Artillery General Engineer Hess made the following comment on the tests:

"The preparation of the cartridges is wasteful and dangerous to the eyes, and, owing to the rapid evaporation, it is further impossible to guarantee the strength of the cartridge, even in the roughest way. Kieselguhr and oil seem to be suitable absorbents and oxylignite an effective blasting agent, though comparative tests have not been made yet. The cartridges must be used within, say, 15 minutes of their preparation. There is no danger, hence, from missing fire. But, on the other hand, it will be difficult to fire many cartridges simultaneously, and, strictly speaking, the cartridges should be made on the spot and be in a very hard condition. That would scarcely be possible below ground. The spurting liquid might break the glasses of the hot safety lamps, and it remains to be investigated whether the large volumes of oxygen might not lead to spontaneous ignition of marsh gas or coal dust. The evaporating oxygen would, on the other hand, improve the air, and the blasting would not contaminate it."—New York Tribune.

Lack of Forage.

The Denver Field and Farm says: "In some instances the present lack of forage is due as much to the slowness of the farmers and stockmen to adapt themselves to the existing conditions as it is to the want of suitable crops for cultivation. It is difficult to get out of the old slipshod range ways, even though it is known that a little well directed effort will make a given amount of land yield several times as much forage as it did formerly. Careful attention to the development of native meadows and pastures and a more general cultivation of miscellaneous forage crops that can be grown with at least a fair degree of success in nearly all localities will do much toward solving the forage problem."

The Old Ways.

"Are you getting your company into pretty good shape?" inquired the Filipino general.

"Well," answered the captain, "we're doing our best. But it's hard for the boys to get out of our old habits. We're constantly saying 'Your money or your life,' when we ought to say 'Advance and give the countersign,' or something like that."—Washington Star.

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STATEMENT OF Atlantic National Bank,

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At the Close of Business Dec. 2nd, 1899, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 858,971 54
Overdrafts		8 79
U. S. Bonds (at par)		25,500.00
Banking House and Fixtures		16,000.00
Due from app'd res've ag'ts	$ 79,160 38	
Due from other banks	169 160.90	
Cash on hand	79,331.51	327,652 78
Total		$1,292,233.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		101,784.40
Circulation		41,040.00
Deposits U. S. Treas.	$ 80,000.00	
Deposits from Banks	307 693 55	
Deposits from Individuals	731,715.16	
Certificates of Deposit	35,000.00	1,031,408.71
Total		$1,292,233.11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2, '97.	Dec 2, '98.	Dec. 2, '99.
Total deposits	$672,000	$874,500	$1,031,000
Surplus and net profit	76,900	87,500	101,784

Dividends Paid—8 Per Cent. Per Annum.

Last Instalment of Capital Paid in October 1899.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 29.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 48½ cents per gallon for machine made casks and 48 cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.10 per bbl for strained and $1 15 for good strained.

TAR.—Market steady at $1.25 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel for hard, $2.80 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 42½@42c; rosin, nothing doing; tar firm at $1.10; crude turpentine firm at $1.30@2.30, $3.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	34
Rosin	149
Tar	49
Crude turpentine	27

Receipts same day last year.—142 casks spirits turpentine, 485 bbls rosin, 418 bbls tar, 33 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13 16	cts ₱ lb
Good ordinary	6¾	" "
Low middling	6 13-16	" "
Middling	7¼	" "
Good middling	7⅝	" "

Same day last year middling 5¾c.

Receipts— 232 bales; same day last year, 145.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 85c. Extra prime, 90c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, $1 05. Virginia—Prime, 55c; extra prime, 60c; fancy, 65c.

CORN—Firm; 52 to 52½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Money on call was firm at 6@10 per cent., last loan at 20 per cent, ruling rate — per cent. Prime mercantile paper 6 per cent. Sterling exchange was firm; actual business in bankers' bills at 487¼@487½ for demand and 481¾@482 for sixty days. Posted rates 482½@483 and 488½. Commercial bills 480¼@480¾. Silver certificates 58½@59½. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 47½. Government bonds weak. State bonds weak. Railroad bonds irregular. U. S 2's, reg'd, 102½; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110½; do. coupon, 110½; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 133¼; do. coupon, 135; U. S. 5's, registered 112¾; do. coupon, 112¾; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 107; Southern Railway 5's 108½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 54¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 30¾; Manhattan L 97½; N. Y. Central ex div. 130½; Reading 18½; do. 1st preferred 51½; St. Paul 117¾; do. preferred 171; Southern Railway 11⅞; do. preferred 54; American Tobacco, 99; do. preferred 135; People's Gas 104; Sugar 128½; do preferred 113; T. C. & Iron 83¾; U. S. Leather 13¾; do. preferred 72¼; Western Union 85½.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 40. Spirits turpentine strong at 51½@52c.

CHARLESTON, December 29.—Spirits turpentine firm at 47½c; sales — casks; no receipts. Rosin firm and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, December 29.—Spirits turpentine firm at 49c; sales 551 casks; receipts 523 casks; exports 180 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,920 barrels; receipts 3,217 barrels; exports 150 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, D, $1 15; E, $1 20; F, $1 30; G, $1 35; H, $1 60; I, $1 65; K, $1 70; M, $2 00; N, $2 35; W G, $2 85; W W, $3 65.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Taking all things into account, the cotton market to day showed surprising strength. Contrary to expectations Liverpool opened in poor form and showed irregularity to the close. The disappointing cables caused less reliant holders to dispose of considerable amounts of cotton on the opening, and the near months showed values unchanged to one point higher, while the far months declined two to seven points. The barely steady start was followed by a sharp recovery and a decided net gain, buying appearing from all quarters, though chiefly from Europe and the South. Trading for a time was very active and sentiment in general was more bullish than since the upward movement was inaugurated. Near noon a set back was experienced under another turn for profits, but the market again rallied and ruled firm until near the close, when there was another serious decline under heavy profit taking. Public and private advices portrayedr emakable strength throughout Southern spot markets. Receipts were very light and the amount brought into sight for the week reached the small total of 235,544 bales, as compared with 449,731 last year. Stocks at interior towns and the ports showed very little increase. The market closed barely steady at a net decline of five to six points. The New York Cotton Exchange will be closed to morrow and Monday.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 7 11 16c.

Futures closed barely steady: December —, January 7.33, February 7.37, March 7.42, April 7.46, May 7.50, June 7 50, July 7.53 August 7.50, September 7.04, October 6 94, November 6.91.

Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands 7 11 16c; middling gulf 7 15-16; sales — bales.

Net receipts 706 bales; gross receipts 6 403 bales; exports to Great Britain 691 bales; stock 110,619 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 23,391 bales; exports to Great Britain 10,743 bales; exports to France 72 bales; exports to the Continent 10,380 bales; stock 1,122,228 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 171,449 bales; exports to Great Britain 40,942 bales; exports to France 3 683 bales; exports to the Continent 66,948 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 3,882,662 bales; exports to Great Britain 992,367 bales; exports to France 417,464 bales; exports to the Continent 1,095,196 bales.

December 29.—Galveston, firm at 7 5 16c, net receipts 5,089 bales; Norfolk, firm at 7½c, net receipts 2,943 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7¾c, net receipts 2,094 bales; Boston, steady at 7 11 16c, net receipts 1,577 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7, net receipts 239 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 7 15 16c, net receipts 315 bales; Savannah, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 1,862 bales; New Orleans, firm at 7 7 16c, net receipts 6,189 bales; Mobile, quiet at 7¼, net receipts 914 bales; Memphis, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 893 bales; Augusta, firm at 7½c, net receipts 576 bales; Charleston, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 432 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Flour dull but steady. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 75½c; options opened firmer on better cables than expected, but ruled dull and featureless all day. Clearances were larger, although the export trade still lacked vigor. Closed dull but steady at ⅛@¼c net advance. March closed 75½c; May closed 74⅞c; July closed 74¾c; December closed 73½c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, 40¾c; options opened steady and were held all day on an even basis, influenced by higher cables and big clearances. Closed steady at ⅛c advance; the sales included: May closed 39c; December closed 39½c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2, 29c; No 3, 28½c; options quiet. Lard firm; Western steam $5 95. Pork firm. Butter strong; Western creamery 23@28c; State dairy 18@26. Cheese firm; fall made fancy small 12¾@13c; fall made, fancy large 12¾@13. Petroleum steady. Freights to Liverpool dull. Potatoes firm. Rice steady. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania 23@24c; Western ungraded at mark 15@20c; Western 23c. loss off. Tallow steady. Coffee—Spot Rio firm; No 7 invoice 7c; No. 7 jobbing 7¼c; mild firm; Cordova 8@12½c. Sugar—Raw firm and held higher; refined firm but quiet.

CHICAGO, December 29.—The Liverpool advance and light receipts were a steadying influence to a very quiet wheat market to day. May closed unchanged from yesterday. Corn closed a shade lower and oats unchanged. At the close provisions were practically unchanged from yesterday.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring—; No. 3 spring —c; No 2 red 67¾@68¾c. Corn—No. 2, 30¾@31c. Oats—No. 2 22½@22¾c; No. 2 white 24¾@25½c; No. 3 white 24¼@24¾c. Pork, per barrel, $8 85@10 30. Lard, per 100 lbs, $5 30@5 67½. Short rib sides, loose, $5 25@5 40. Dry salted shoulders, $5 37½@5 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $5 50@5 60. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 23½.

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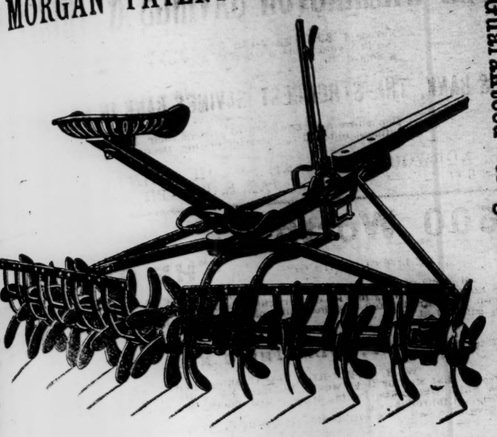

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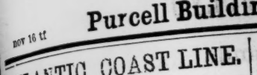

Schedule in Effect Nov. 19, 1899.

DEPARTURES FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND
DAILY No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A.M., Warsaw 11.38 A. M., Goldsboro 12.25 A. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Greenville 3.32 P. M., Kinston 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.55 A. M., +Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.52 P. M., Goldsboro 9.30 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., +Tarboro 9.27 P. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M., 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., +Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.15 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 5.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.55 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.50 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY No. 9—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.12 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY No. 6—Passenger—Leave Boston +1.00 P. M., New York *2.00 P. M., Philadelphia 4.50 P. M., Baltimore 8.50 A. M., Washington 9.40 A. M., Richmond 2.05 P. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 8.05 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.31 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.00 night, New York 9.05 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.06 P. M., Richmond 7.35 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., +Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.18 P. M., +Tarboro 8.40 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.00 A. M.

DAILY No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 8.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.15 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 6.15 A. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Columbia 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Augusta 3.30 P. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY No. 40—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennetts Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 9.15 A. M., Marion 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.41 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.25 P. M., Marion 5.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No 78, at Manchester with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Sanford with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond and Petersburg—Leaves Rocky Mount 1.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 1.40 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road—Leave Weldon 5.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.52 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.30 A. M., Greenville 8.53 A. M.; arriving Halifax 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 10.04 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 10.34 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 12.30 P. M. and 7.39 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday 1.40 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 5.10 P. M. Returning leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount 3.40 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10 A. M., 4.05 P. M. Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.50 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 11.22 A. M., 5.17 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 5.40 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.40 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrives Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 11.04 A. M. Returning leaves Rowland 6.09 P. M., arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Train on Conway Branch leave Boardman 7.45 A. M., Chadbourn 8.36 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leave Sumter 7.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M., arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 6.34 P. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 10.00 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 8.20 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 11.30 A. M., 3.30 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.15 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M. Harts 1.10 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 3.37 P. M., leave Florence daily except Sunday 4.30 P. M.; arrive Darlington 5.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M., Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 9.50 A. M.; arrive Wadesboro 11.40 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 6.4 A. M., Darlington 6.26 P. M.; arrive Darlington 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only 4.50 P. M. arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Trains on and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 10.05 A. M. arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. Smithfield 3.02 P. M. Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.2 P. M. 1.21 P. M., Rowland 5.06 P. M., returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.30 P. M. 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.52 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.32 P. M. 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M. Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 6.31 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 8.00 A. M., arrives Creston 8.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Marshville 8.15 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning leaves Lucknow 3.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 6.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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Train 41—Leaves Wilmington daily at 3:05 P. M., Lumberton 5:14 P. M., Pembroke 5:40 P. M., Maxton 6:19 P. M., Laurinburg 6:34 P. M., arriving at Hamlet 6:55 P. M. Where connection is made with trains for Charlotte, Athens, Atlanta and all points South, Southeast and Southwest. Also with trains for Raleigh, Portsmouth, Norfolk, Old Point Comfort, Richmond, Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York.

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:30 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:53 A. M., Raleigh 3:36 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:55 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 89—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 6:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:45 A. M., Sanford 9:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:18 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 88—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 9:46 A. M., Maxton 9:59 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Pennington 10.05 noon.

Train 408—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M. Portsmouth 9:45 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 403—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Ruthersfordton 11:25 A. M.

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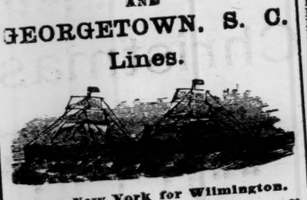

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Name	Blk	Description.	Tax and Cost.
Abbott, Elizabeth J	92	w m 1 2 3	8 71
Ahrens, Mrs C M R	806	w ½ 1	
do	822	w ½ 1 w ½ 5	46 18
do	346	all 1 2	
Allen, Andrew J	541	s o 6	4 75
do	541	n w ½ 1	4 36
Andrews, A J	540	e s w 5	5 01
Anderson, H J	70	e pt 4	6 68
Ashe, Richard	81	w m 1 2	2 60
Ashe, Simon	336	e 1 2	4 78
Baldwin, D and J	540	e s ¼ 4	2 23
Barnes, W H	126	s w 2	7 79
Bell, Mrs M M	102	e pt 6	4 08
Bennett, heirs John	309	e 5	1 76
Bery, James	849	s o ¼ 5	4 08
Bernard, heirs Harry	118	e ¼ 3	5 01
Berry, Richard	241	½ int e 4 m 5	14 88
Best, R W	307	e 4	6 26
Biddle, heirs Julia A	78	w 1 2 3	6 40
Blackwell, heirs B	48	s 3 4 5	5 01
Blain, Carrie	52	e end 6	4 73
Bond, heirs Sophia	337	e m 5	4 31
Bowens, J P	339	e 4 5	2 69
Bowens, Martha	341	e 4 5	4 54
Bowens, Stephen	498	w 1 2 3 4	2 23
Bradley, John	498	w 1 3 3 pt 4	5 66
Bradley, W H	280	e ½ 5	
Brown, Jno H	344	e m 4 5	9 84
Brown, Mra T C	240	w 1	4 81
do	351	w m 4 5	4 78
Brown, William	138	e ½ 5 6	3 15
Brownell, T J	111	n w	32 67
Budd, Susan A	206	e pt 3	20 76
Bullock, D W	218	s e ¼ 4	6 86
Bunting, Louis M	307	s w ¼ 4	5 01
Burgwin, Richard	356	e w ¼ 4	4 08
Burnice, Reuben	253	w 3	2 69
Burton, Minerva	38	w m 1 2	2 46
Byrd, Edward	82	w 5 6	2 23
Campbell, Mary	211	w 6	4 54
Capps, heirs Katie	224	pt e end 2	4 08
Carr, Lena heirs of	200	e end 4	4 08
Carroway, Louisa	176	m pt 12	5 47
Cartrett, J C	35	e ¼ 3	
Chapman, Louis	339	w 1	
do	338	w m 2	
do	348	w 2	
do	350	e m 2 2	9 81
do	141	e pt 2	19 88
Chesnutt, Mrs C M	37	e ¼ 4	2 69
Clark, James E	309	w m 4	5 47
Clark, Polly	336	e m 5	4 08
Coles, Alex	236	e ¼ 4	6 40
Collins, Sarah A	296	s e pt 2	6 40
Cotton, W H Jr	106	e 1	75 43
Cowdin, Jane E	172	e 4	3 15
Cowan, D S trustee	226	s e ¼ 3	5 99
Cowan, heirs Sam	149	n o 5	
Crandle, Jerry	109	w m 1 2	13 88
Cutlar, DuBrutz agt.			
J T Foy			38 57
Cumming, W M agt.			
Bolles, Hannah P	142	w m 6 6½	
Davis, W J	51	w 6	25 79
do	38	w m 1 2 3 e 4 5	
do	47	e m 1	
do	34	n o 2	
T C Miller	7	e m 1 2	
do	337	e m 1 9 pt 1	
do	51	w m 1 2	
do	206	s o 3	
do	206	e 1 2 w 3	
do	238	pt 1	
do	119	e m 1 2	
do	211	e m 1 and s pt 1	
do	309	e 4	
do	230	e m 2 3	
do	97	w m 5 6	
do	83	w 5 6 pt 6	
do	204	n w ½ 2	
do	39	n e 2	
do	36	s w ½ 3	
Cutlar, DuBruitz	523	pt w ½ 5	
do	349	w m 5	
do	89	e ¼ 4	
do	269	w m 5	
do	267	w m 4 5	
do	137	m w ¼ 4	
do	337	pt s e 2 and pt n e 3	
do	145	e ½ 5 6 pt n e ½ 6	
do	148	s ½ and e m ¼ 4	
do	270	w 4	
do	87	pt s e ½ 3	
do	47	e m 1	
do	55	e ½ 3	
do	20	w m 1	
do	51	e ¼ 4	
do	293	w ½ 1	
do	68	all 5	
do	12	s e m and w m 3 4 5	92 50
do	105	e 2	
Daggett, Mrs E R H	161	e m 1 2 3	
do	489	s w 3 w m 4	
do	168	e pt 4 5	
do	176	e 1 2	
do	486	w 1 2 3 n 1 2 3	
do	59	e 1 2 3	
Daniel, C H	3	4 w 1	
Davis, heirs Anna	119	e m 1 2	
Davis, Betsey Ann	131	n w 5	
Davis, C R	294	s w 3	
Davis, Cornelius S	488	w 3 4 5	
Davis, Eli H	488	w 1 2 3	
Davis, Fred	99	w m 1 2 3	
Davis, James H	252	e m 1	
Davis, Jno H	350	w 2 3	
Davis, heirs Louisa	136	e ½ 5 6	
Davis, Maggie E	111	n w	
Davis, Sallie J	206	e pt 3	
Davis, Toney	540	pt 4	
Davis, heirs Toney	45	e pt 4	
Davis, Wesley	46	w 5 6	
Decorer, Mrs M E	149	s w ¼ 4 and pt 5	
DeVane, W M	238	e m 3 4 5	
Dickinson, heirs P K	191	w 4 5 6	
do	290	all	
do	277	e ½ 3 pt 4	228 01
do	308	pt 5 6 all 7 8	4 08
do	254	w m 5	2 69
do	68	w 4	2 23
Dixon, heirs Ed	51	n w 4	2 23
Dixon, Sophia	349	e m 3 4	6 07
Dudley, heirs Dolly	86	w m 3	34 01
Dudley, heirs Violet	116	e ½ 5	4 31
Dudley, Wm H Sr	540	pt 3	4 54
Durham, James H	269	w ¼ 4	2 23
Dray, William	349	w 3 4 5	4 08
Eagles, Maggie A	340	w 3 m 5	5 47
Easterling, Lavinia	175	e 3 4 5	4 08
Elder James	56	n e ¼ 4	6 40
Ellison, Alexander	349	w m 3	6 40
Eunett, George	288	pt n w 3	75 43
Evans, Isaac C	37	n w ½ 5	3 15
Evans, heirs Julius	256	w ½ 5	5 99
do	104	e ¼ 4	
Evans, Mary M	252	e ¼ 4	
do	204	½ int w m 3 4	
Evans, Roger	541	s w ¼ 1	
Faircloth, Wm & wife	264	e ¼ 4	
Farrow, Augusta	78	e m 3 4	
Farrow, heirs Benj	78	e m 3 4	
Farrow, Mary E	292	e 1 2	147 45
Fitzgerald, John	178	m 3	15 20
Flanner, Mrs C C	156	m 5	3 15
do	104	w 1	4 08
Fleet, Mrs S C	334	e m 5	2 00
Flynn, heirs Patrick	93	w m 1 2	9 46
Fonville, heirs Bryan	48	s ½ 4	
Fonville, heirs Jane	536	e ½ 3	18 18
Furgerson, heirs Sallie	366	e ½ 1 2 and pt 3	
Galley, heirs Jas M	279	e ¼ 5	
do	213	pt 5	8 09
Ganzer, Margaret	419	e 4 5	3 69
do	429	e 4 5	4 31
Gardner, Mrs Carrie	19	pt e w ½ 2	
Gause, Henry	337	e 3	54 17
Gause, Lucetta	267	e 3	
Gavin, Ben	97	n w ¼ 6	
Geyer, Mary Howe	77	s e ¼ 3	
Goodin, Daniel	255	s w ¼ 3	
Graham, George	181	p m 5	6 77
Grant, heirs Jno E	117	n w pt 6	
Green, Henry & Joeh	507	all 1	
do	503	w 1	
do	492	w ½ all 4 5 6	
do	495	e 3 all 4 5 6	
do	365	e ½ 2	
Green, Henry	47	e m 2 3 4 5 6	
do	67	e m 5 6	
do	68	all 2	
do	69	e m 5	
do	37	e ½ 3	
do	589	all 6	
do	93	n e ¼ 4	
do	98	e 5 6	
do	50	w ¼ 6	
do	98	e ¼ 4	
do	119	n w pt 2	
do	56	n w ¼ 3	
do	518	all 1	
do	20	n w pt 1	
do	42	e pt 2 e m 1 2	
do	38	e ¼ 3 m 4 5	39 48
do	69	w 2	
Green, Henry and J J Jones	31	w 5 6	4 37
do	35	w ½ 2	10 57
Green, Wm H	65	w 4 5	2 69
Grimm, Lucy	327	w 3	2 23
Haar, John	338	e m 1	
Hall, heirs Bell a	350	pt 3 4 5	
Hall, heirs Richard L	187	m 4 5	3 15
do	479	w m 1	3 69
Hall, Richard heirs of	350	e pt 3 4	4 48
do	518	n ½ 5	14 13
do	72	e ½ 3	4 31
do	27	n e ¼ 1	2 00
Hall, Wright	58	e w ¼ 4	2 69
Hall Wm H	58	e ¼ 4	4 08
Halsey, Mary Ann	228	e 4 5	
Hammond, Caroline	53	w end 4 5	
Hardwick, Anna F	34	all 4	
Harriss, George agt	34	all 6 w ¼ 4	
do	527	all	
do	529	all	
do	18	all 1	
do	35	all 3 4	
do	33	all 5	
do	39	e ½ 6 ½ e ¼ 4 w ¼ 1	
do	27	n w ¼ 4	
do	41	all 2 3 4 5	
do	25	all 2 6	
do	29	e 1 m 1 2 3	
do	40	all 1 3	
do	27	all 4	
do	28	all 1	
do	14	all 3	
do	43	w ½ 6	
do	401	all 3 6 pt 4	
do	400	all 1 3 pt 4	
do	399	pt 2 3 4	48 30
do	182	all 6 pt 5	2 23
do	70	w m 1	1 76
do	46	s w 6	2 00
Harrison, Thos D	583	w ¼ 4	3 15
Hawkins, Lucille	147	w ¼ 1 2	4 08
Herring, Geo T	345	e 3	2 23
Herring, Noah	117	w 1	2 69
Hewlett, Mary J	347	n ¾ 1	39 29
Hewlett, Martha S	228	w 1 2 3	11 49
Hill, Allen	48	n w 3	14 74
Hill, Caroline S	97	s e ¼ 4	
Hill, heirs Mingo C	218	e ¾ 1 3	48 30
Hill, Virgil	191	e m 4 5 6	2 23
Hilton, Annie H	174	m 3 4 5	4 08
Hodges, Carrie P	173	m 1	4 08
Holland, heirs Ben	367	e 5	3 69
Holden Mary A	119	n w ¼ 4	
Hooper, George H	300	w ¼ 5	22 01
Hooper, Johnson	160	m 3 4 5	
do	138	e m 5 6	6 60
do	139	e 1 6	26 78
Hooper, Julia	223	s e 2	5 01
do	195	e 6	4 08
Hostler, Margaret A	19	n w ¼ 4 s w ¼ 3	2 69
Howard, Andrew	339	n w ¼ 4	17 98
Howard, Elsie	23	n e ¼ 3	
Howard, Martha	336	w 4 5	
Howe, Caroline	138	s w 3	
Howe, Josephine	446	all	
Hutaff, George H	447	all	
do	450	pt	
do	451	pt	24 99
do	196	s e ¼ 3 n e ¼ 4	
do	294	w 2 n w ¼ 1	7 51
Isler, Sampson	339	e m 3	4 54
do	340	s w ¼ 3	3 15
Ivory, Caroline A	349	e 1	
Jackson, Andrew	265	pt 3 4	12 49
Jackson, George C	104	w m 1	5 47
do	104	e m 1	5 01
Jackson, Ida M	38	m 1	5 47
Jackson, Wm Henry	37	e 1	33 73
James, Henry	198	w 1 2	5 47
James, heirs Mrs M J	338	e 5	
Jarvis, heirs Emeline	138	e m 4 5 6	6 60
Jenkins, Emma	69	m 1	2 46
do	148	e m 1	6 60
Jenkins, James C	38	w m 1	5 47
Johnson, Alex	356	e 3	4 31
Johnson, Robert	37	n w ¼ 1	
Jones, Henry L	38	w 4 5	6 60
Jones, John R	33	n w ¼ 5	9 64
do	174	w 4 5	2 98
Jones, Jno S	68	m 3	5 01
Jones, Pallas	226	e 5	1 76
Jones, Ruthy	269	e m 5	12 49
Jury, Matilda	116	w ½ 5	4 54
Keathley, Mrs E H	38	w m 1	2 00
King, A S and Laura	351	w 5	3 63
King, Ben	50	m 1 2	7 32
King, J P	51	w 1 2 3	12 43
King, Mary E	181	w 5	6 17
King, Martha S	51	m 5 6	9 88
King, W J	78	w 5	1 76
Landers, Joe L	496	pt 1	3 69
LeBoo, A W	337	w 4	4 31
LeBoo, heirs Lucy A	70	e 4	
LeBoo, Prince	490	w 1	7 53
Lee, Daniel	161	e 2 3	5 47
do	337	n e 5	5 47
Lewis, George	222	e 5	6 58
Lloyed, Alfred	294	s w 2	5 47
Lloyed, Mike	488	w 3 4 5	10 57
Loftin, Isaac	488	w 1 2 3	8 71
Loftin, Major	99	w m 1 2 3	5 47
Loftin, heirs W H	224	w m 5	5 94
Lowery, James A	100	e pt 1	4 08
Lutterloh, Mrs E J	80	n w pt 2	
Maddox, John E			
Mallett, Alex, Annie and William	337	w ¼ 1	12 49
Mallett, heirs Chas R	306	e pt 1	12 49
Mallett, Wm P	240	e 1	8 25
Marshall, A J	296	m 3	
do	370	e ¼ 5	
do	149	¾ int in w 6	
do	81	e 1 2	
do	173	w m 5 5	39 08
do	268	pt e pt 3	9 08
do	268	pt 4 5	
Martin, C M	224	m pt 4 5	
Martin, Nellie	197	e 2	
do	388	w 1	
May, Pressnell J	137	n w ¼ 2	
Mayo, Wm E	305	w ¼ 4 5	
Meares, heirs Mrs A C	158	m 1 2 3 4	
Meares, Miss A S agt.	538	e 1 2 3 4	
do	368	e 1 2 3	
do	277	e 4 5	
do	326	e m 1	
Merrick, Isham			
Merrick, heirs Sam & Henry Pressnell	213	n w ¼ 2 m 3 4	
Merrick, heirs Wm	279	e ½ 4 and pt 3	
Millis, heirs J W	471	w m 4	
do	66	e ½ 6 w m 6	
do	68	w 6	
do	80	e 1	
Mitchell, J W	104	s m 5	
Mitchell, Wm Henry	64	o 4	
Moore, Hiram	161	m 4 5	
Moore, Jackson P	269	s w 5	
Moore, heirs Thos T	198	e m 3 4 5	
Moore, W H Sr	277	m o 1	
do	196	n w ¼ 4	
Horrill, Mrs C A	86	e ¼ 3	
Morris, Wilkes & Nick	337	w 1 2 3	
Moseley, Abram	297	w 6	
Moseley, Chas J	297	w 6	
Moseley, Washington	323	e ½ 1 pt 2	
Mullet, heirs Martin	249	s w 5	
Mulford, Mrs M A	149	e 1 2	
Mumford, Henry	206	e m 1 2	
McDougald, H	96	w end 6	
McDuffy, J N	337	e pt 1	
McFarland, Morris	266	w 3 4	
McIntire, Nancy M	255	w 1	
do	254	e m 1	
McKellar, heirs Cash	223	n w ¼ 3	
McKoy, Martin	106	n w ¼ 2	
McKoy, Robert	149	m

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SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 30.

THE YEAR IN BUSINESS A RECORD-BREAKER.

Total Exports Little Less Than $1,280,000,000—Imports a Little Below $800,000,000—The Advance in Values.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Bradstreet's review of "the year in business" to-morrow will say:

Rarely have sanguine commercial and financial hopes or predictions found such adequate realization as they did during 1899. Certainly nothing like the widespread and general upward movement of values, alike of staples and of securities, such as occurred during this year, could have been foreseen. Linked with an immense business and a record-breaking production in nearly all lines of business and industry, except perhaps in some products of the agricultural interest, there was with it an advance of staple values either of which alone would have made the year notable, and combined they have served to establish the year as a record breaker and set up new standards. The volume of domestic and of foreign trade alike was the largest ever recorded, and the bank clearings reflected immense business expansion, active speculation in stocks, and immense new industrial floatings, far surpassing all previous records.

In industrial affairs the year has been one of enormous expansion. Certainly nothing like the general advance in wages of industrial employes has been witnessed for many years, and this has been accomplished with a minimum of friction, entitling the year to special mention on this if on no other account. The close of the year finds order books filled to from three to six months ahead in nearly all lines.

Notwithstanding smaller exports of agricultural products during the calendar year, breadstuffs shipments being 15 per cent. smaller, cattle and hogs exports 12 per cent. less, and cotton shipments, owing to the short crop, at least 15 per cent. less, there was such an expansion of our manufactured exports that the entire export trade of the year will considerably exceed that of the last calendar year, which was the heaviest recorded, and make the year no less notable in the lines of foreign than in domestic trade, with a total of exports little less than $1,280,000,000, an aggregate, which, if reached, will mark a gain of three per cent. over the recorded total of 1898. Imports have naturally shown a marked revival and if the gain for the eleven months is maintained for the month of December, a total little below $800,000 000 may be expected, which would guarantee a total foreign trade well in excess of $2,000 000,000; an amount, it might be remarked never before equalled.

That the price in staples has not been based upon arbitrary actions of combinations is evidenced by the fact that a similar price movement has been witnessed abroad, the general level of prices in England, for instance, being higher on December 1st this year than for more than eight years past.

Breadstuffs alone, of all the classes of staples, are actually lower now than they were a year ago, the decline being about six per cent. On the other hand the manufactured or partly manufactured products, such as metals, raw and manufactured, textiles, building materials, coal and naval stores, have scored remarkable gains. Metals, as a whole, are 50 per cent. higher than a year ago, due largely, of course, to the upward rush of iron and steel prices, which have all practically doubled in value within the year.

Raw cotton and wool have made especially noteworthy advances, and since being among the most depressed of industries the textile manufacturing trades have become among the busiest there is record of. Other textiles have shared in this advance, and the result is that textiles as a class are one-third higher than a year ago.

Taking bank clearings as an index, the outlook at present favors a total at the country's clearing houses, making comparison with previous years, of fully $93,300,000 000; an increase of 36 per cent. over a year ago, of 74 per cent. over 1897, and of 51 per cent. over 1893, while as compared with 1894 the volume of clearings has practically doubled.

RICE AND TRUCK GROWERS.

Protest Against Letting Down the Bars for Porto Rico and the Philippines.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, Ga., Dec. 29.—Meetings of the Savannah River Rice Growers and Truckrs Association, have been called, to take steps against the admission of Porto Rico and the Philippine islands within the tariff wall of the United States. The associations will co operate with the sugar producing interest of Louisiana. It is pointed out that both Porto Rico and the Philippines are producers of rice. With the tariff bars let down they would grow immense quantities of rice, with coolie labor, and flood our markets, to the ruination of the home rice interests. And the same applies to sugar. Porto Rico is as close to the Northern markets for truck and vegetables as Savannah and Jacksonville. If Porto Rican fruits and vegetables were let in free, they would catch the cream and profit of the Northern market, to the detriment of the growers in Georgia and Florida.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, December 29th, 1899.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending December 29th:

	1899.	1898.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week.....	174,448	294,159
Total receipts to this date.....	3,882,663	5,740,483
Exports for week..	111,473	325,465
Total exports to date	2,505,027	4,131,511
Stock in all U. S. ports.	1,122,228	1,291,603
Stock at all interior towns.....	790,876	729,940
Stock in Liverpool,	730,000	1,337,000
American afloat for Great Britain ...	136,000	385,000

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BULLER MAY MAKE ANOTHER BREAK.

Believed That He Contemplates a Renewal of Attempt to Relieve Ladysmith.

SKIRMISHING AT KIMBERLEY.

Boers Still Bombarding Ladysmith—Advices From Mafeking—Boers Report Communication Established With Colenso.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 30.—The latest special dispatch from Chieveley Camp hints darkly at some important movement as imminent. This is interpreted, with some misgivings, to mean that General Buller contemplates a renewal of his attempt to relieve Ladysmith. It is reported by the same dispatch that the Boers have now retired to the north bank of the Tugela, being afraid that the swollen river may bar their retreat. They are also moving their laagers nearer Ladysmith, probably with the intention of putting further pressure o the garrison which now seems to be suff-ring pretty heavily from the bombardment. It is difficult, however, to conceive that General Buller would make another frontal attack, especially now that the river is rising; and an additional indication that this is not his purpose is the fact that he has removed his headquarters back to Frere.

The Boer movement northward to Tugela is quite in keeping with the enemy's usual plan of securing a safe line of retreat. It is known that artillery is due to arrive for General Bueller, but the belief here is that his force even then would be too weak. He may, however, be animated by a desire to accomplish something before the arrival of Lord Roberts and to satisfy the keenness of his men to retrieve their defeat.

The reported engagement with Kaffirs is very vague and cannot be explained pending the arrival of later dispatches.

Developments at Kimberley.

KIMBERLEY, Dec. 23.—Before dawn to-day a detachment of the mounted forces, with artillery and light infantry, moved out in a westerly direction. Boer artillery from Kamperdam opened fire at Otto's kopje, Kimberley fort replying with twenty shells. The British force reconnoitered outposts along Lazaretto ridge, the Boer patrols retreating.

Having accomplished this and having discovered Boer reinforcements approaching from Wimbledon ridge, Colonel Chamier, with the Royal artillery, exchanged a dozen shells as soon as the guns could be limbered up. Some five hundred Boers poured in a heavy fire from their earthworks, the British finally retiring with the loss of one horse.

The movement showed that the Boers were still keeping their guns in the vicinity of Kimberley and are able to summon reinforcements rapidly. It also showed their proneness to vacate a position immediately when weaker than the opposing force.

At Ladysmith.

PIETERMARITZBURG December 27.—A dispatch from Ladysmith, dated December 22nd, says:

"The Boers have mounted another howitzer on Surprise Hill, replacing the gun captured in the sortie of the Rifle brigade. While they watch us nightly with a search light and bombard the place daily, they show no signs of assaulting the town.

"They probably think they can starve us out, but we have plenty of provisions. The total casualties since the siege began are 70 men killed and 236 wounded."

Situation at Mafeking.

LONDON, December 29.—A War Office dispatch from Colonel Baden-Powell, dated December 12, after announcing that Lady Sarah Wilson had arrived safe and sound at Mafeking, added that the bombardment and musketry continued Monday on all sides and that the health and spirits of the garrison are very satisfactory.

The text of Colonel Baden-Powell's proclamation to the burghers besieging Mafeking, the gist of which has already been cabled, comes from Lorenzo Marques to-day. After asserting that the republics cannot hope for foreign intervention, and pretending to relate the exact attitude of all the European powers, including Emperor William, who, the colonel said, "fully sympathizes with England," Baden-Powell makes the extraordinary statement that "the American government has warned the others of her intention to side with England should any of them interfere."

Boer Advices.

PRETORIA, December 25.—General Schalk-Burger reports, under date of December 23rd, that trains are now running to Colenso, indicating that the Boers have built a connection around Ladysmith.

General Crooje reports from the Modder river, December 24th, that the Boers captured two British forts at Kuruman, December 17th.

It is rumored that General Methuen's big naval gun has exploded.

The Transvaal government has promulgated a new gold tax law, by which individuals and companies working their own mines are taxed thirty per cent. of the output, while mines worked by the government will pay fifty per cent. Suspended mines will pay 30 per cent. on their probable output, calculated on three months workings. Reducing works will pay 30 per cent. of their net profits. The law is retroactive, to October 11th.

Berrs Fighting Kaffirs.

PRETORIA, Dec. 26.—By way of Lorenzo Marques, Thursday 28.—Commandent Swart reports from the laager at Alowyns Kop, near Zourst, that he had an engagement on Friday, December 22nd, with Kaffirs in the neighborhood of Derdopoort. The Kaffirs occupied a strongly fortified ridge and were well prepared for emergencies. After heavy fighting the burghers captured the Kaffir position, losing three killed and five wounded.

General Gatacre.

CAPE TOWN, Thursday, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from Cradock reports heavy firing in the district of Stormberg. It is supposed this is connected with General Gatacre's attempt to reopen communication with the Inwe collieries.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The War Office has received the following dispatch.

"*Cape Town, December 26*.—The Inwe colliery line is now working again.

LONDON, December 30.—The Modder river correspondent of the *Times*, referring to the scere-gring of the Boer says:

"Their nervousness causes much amusement among the British. It is quite certain that half the Boer force is employed watching by day and the other half by night. Probably the consequent weariness, with the scarcity of water and the presence of typhoid, will render the Boer position intolerable. Thir present action is due either to a scare or to wish to cover a retirement to Spytfonteim.

The Cape Town correspondent of the *Daily News* says: "A leading resident of Vryburg, who was released by the Boers, saw 2,000 colonials from Griqualand West. He says colonial faces are to be seen everywhere in the Boer ranks."

U. S. CRUISER MONTGOMERY.

Warship's Visit to Liberia—Denial That It Was in Any Way Connected With the English-Boer War.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 29.—It has been learned by a representative of the Associated Press that the U. S. cruiser Montgomery's visit to Liberia is apparently the result of overtures made to Washington by that republic. Though the British government is in complete ignorance of the purpose of the Montgomery's mission, the establishment of a coaling station in Liberia by the United States is regarded as scarcely probable, as, it is asserted, no Liberian port has any facilities for coaling, all of them being open and surf bound.

The Associated Press representative learns, however, that a far more important step is under consideration. It consists in a joint request of the United States and Great Britain upon France to define the boundary between the territory she claims and that claimed by Liberia. This step is not yet decided upon, but Great Britain is only awaiting the United States' assent to become a party to such a request.

It is alleged that France, for many years has been encroaching on Liberia, and it was only by the strenuous protest of the United States that she was prevented from appropriating a large slice of Liberia in 1892.

No Official Statement.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—Although naval officials will make no official statement respecting the cruise of the Montgomery to West Africa, it is admitted that the ship was there in the early Fall, returning to her station at Buenos Ayres about the first of last November. These dates, in themselves, may be regarded as sufficient to dispel any impression that the cruise was in any manner connected with the war between the British and the Boers. As to the real objects of the cruise, it is believed that the Navy Department had its eye upon a possible coaling station on the west coast, as is indicated in the foregoing dispatch. Before and during the civil war the United States had no less than three coaling stations on that coast. They were practically abandoned when the West Africa station was dropped from the list, but the chief of the equipment bureau, Admiral Brafford, has strongly urged that they be re established, so as to ensure our naval vessels a source of supply of coal when passing from the Eastern Atlantic States around to the Philippines and China, in the event that the Suez canal should be closed against them. The Liberian government has always been willing and even anxious that the station on its coast should be kept up, if only as a manifestation of the interest of the United States in the colony it created, and to protect it by our moral influence against European aggression.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

No Deaths From the Disease at Honolulu Since the Twelfth Instant—Reports Exaggerated.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, December 29.—The steamer Gaelic arrived here to day from the Orient via Honolulu. The Gaelic was sent to quarantine, owing to the plague scare, but her cabin passengers were allowed to land, tow boats plying between the steamer and the city for the purpose.

The Associated Press correspondent at Honolulu sends the following under date of December 23:

"There have been no new cases of plague since last advices. There have been several sudden death and in each instance rumor assigned the plague as the cause. Investigation proved otherwise. On the 19th the quarantine over Chinatown was lifted and now business is going on as usual in that district. There have been no deaths by plague since the twelfth instant. Up to that time five victims were reported. The Board of Health now claims that but two death, were caused by the scourge, the remaining cases being doubtful or suspicious.

Chinatown is being thoroughly cleaned. A commission of three has been appointed to examine the district and report some scheme to remodel the territory.

The council of State will be asked to appropriate the sum of $100,000 at once withwhich to carry out the present plan of altering and improving Chinatown in conformity with the sanitary programme of the Board of Health.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—The following telegram has been received by the supervising surgeon general of the United States hospital service from Surgeon D. A. Carmichael, at Honolulu:

"*Honolulu, W. I.*, December 20.—There are two cases of reported plague in Honolulu; two deaths December 12; no new cases to December 20. Quarantine against infection raised December 19."

FIRE IN SAVANNAH.

In the Retail District—Losses Estimated at $150,000—The Insurance.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., December 29.—Shortly before midnight the furniture store of Lindsey and Morgan and the dry goods store of Daniel Hogan on Broughton and Barnard streets, in the heart of the retail district, were destroyed by fire. Each business was a leader of its line in the city. The fire started from unknown causes, in the first named place, which was separated from the splendid Odd Fellows temple by only a narrow alley. At one time it seemed as if two or more principal business blocks would go. The losses will foot up approximately $150,000 with insurance of about 60 per cent.

MURDERER KILLED.

He Shot Two Deputy Sheriffs While Resisting Attempt to Capture.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

BRONSON, Fla., December 29—W. B. Williams, the condemned murderer who escaped from jail last June was captured near his home in this vicinity early this morning. Williams resisted desperately. He shot Deputy Sheriff Walker in the side and John Dean, another deputy, was shot in the hand. Dean finally shot Williams in the abdomen, inflicting a mortal wound.

Sheriff Sutton left at once for the scene and brought Williams' body here to night. It is not thought Walker's would will prove fatal.

GUERRILLA WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Insurgents Returning in Small Bands to Towns Not Occupied by Americans.

THE NATIVES TERRORIZED.

Cavalry Scouts Find It Impossible to Bring About An Engagement With Insurgents—Rebel Stronghold in the Mountains Captured.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, December 29.—The insurgents who evacuated the coast towns between Dagupan and Vivan, fleeing to the mountains before the advancing Americans, are returning in small bands to the towns the Americans do not occupy, terrorizing the natives and Chinamen who showed friendship for the Americans. The natives and Chinese are seeking the protection of the American garrisons.

Colonel Wessell's cavalry, while scouting in the vicinity of Trinidad, found evidence of Filipino soldiers being in that vicinity, but it was impossible to bring about an engagement.

The recent increase in the garrison of Namacpacan, against a threatened rebel attack on Christmas day, averted trouble.

Colonel Luther R. Hare, of the Twenty third infantry, who has been following a party of American prisoners, lost track for three days about December 20th, of such signs and evidences of their passage that they customarily left behind them. It is thought the prisoners were separated and conveyed to remote parts of the mountains, thus increasing the difficulties of General Young's troops to effect a rescue.

General Wheeler, who was recently in Manila requesting an appointment south, in the line of the expected campaign, is now at Panique.

Rebel Stronghold Captured.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—The Adjutant General received a cable message from General Otis this morning telling of the capture of a mountain stronghold at Montalbat, northeast of San Mateo, formerly supposed to be impregnable, and the capture of many prisoners and a large quantity of arms and ammunition. The dispatch is as follows:

"*Manila, December 29.*—Colonel Lockett with a regiment—two battalions of the Forty sixth (Col. Schuler) one of the Forty-fifth (Col. Dorst) and a company of the Twenty seventh infantry, two guns, (Capt. Van Duesen,) attacked the enemy six hundred strong on mountain stronghold beyond Montalban, northeast of San Mateo. Large number killed and wounded, twenty-four taken prisoners, Lockett captured one cannon, forty rifles, 20,000 rounds of ammunition, five hundred pounds of powder, arsenal, fortification, all food supplies and considerable other property. This captured point is located on a mountain trail and was formerly supposed to be impregnable. Our casualtiss, Lieutenant Euslow, Eleventh cavalry, and five enlisted men wounded, mostly slight; private Matson, Forty fifth infantry, drowned."

STEAMER AGROUND.

Off the Coast of England—Believed to be a Hamburg-American Liner.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Dec. 30.—A large German mail steamer whose name has not yet been ascertained, has gone aground during a terrific gale in East Bay, about a quarter of a mile off Dungeness, the southern extremity of Kent.

Heavy seas are breaking over the vessel and the lifeboats are unable to reach her.

It is believed that the grounded steamer is one of the Hamburg American liners.

It is reported that the position of the liner is very serious. Tugs and lifeboats were urgently requisitioned from Dover and Folkstone, but they had the utmost difficulty in getting off, owing to the gale.

The signals of distress were observed from the Sand head lightship.

WARM WIRELETS.

William Waldorf Astor has subscribed £1 000 to the Buckinghamshire fund to equip the county's contingent of yeomanry.

The Prince of Wales has accepted the chief colonelcy of the Imperial yeomanry and has contributed £105 for use of the organization.

Almost 3,000,000 persons are receiving famine relief in India. The government is spending nearly two lakhs of rupees daily.

Heidelbach, Ickleheimer & Co. will ship $1,600,000 in gold to day from New York. This makes a total for the day so far engaged of $2 850,000.

Rt Rev. H. M. Jackson, D. D., bishop coadjutor of the Diocese of Alabama (Episcopal) has forwarded his resignation to the presiding bishop, Rev. Dr. Clarke, of Rhode Island.

Thomas Mackellar, senior member of the firm of Mackellar, Smith & Jordan, type founders, died yesterday of pneumonia at his home in Germantown, Pa.

The total bank clearings for the week were $1,595,875 229, an increase of 13 3 per cent. Exclusive of New York city $581,595,319, an increase of 14.1 per cent.

Adjutant General Corbin reports that the contributions to the Lawton relief fund to date amount to $30,525 10, being an increase of about $4,000 since the last previous report.

The Hernandez revolution in Venezuela can be said to be ended. Hernandez is fleeing with 200 men to the Colombian boundary. The government troops and the minister of war, General Pulido, are back at Caracas.

The War Department has ordered the court martial of Captain R. W. Sufeldt, U. S. A., retired, for refusing obedience to an order directing him to place himself within the jurisdiction of the Maryland civil courts, before which he is defendant in a divorce case.

Colonel Hutcheon, of Nashville, Tenn., has offered to send 200 horsemen, with himself in command, with the second Canadian contingent for South Africa. It is not likely that the offer can be accepted, as there are more men volunteering in Canada than can be accommodated.

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MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

New Orleans Cotton Exchange Statement. The Decrease in Receipts As Compared With Last Season.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW ORLEANS, December 29.—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans Cotton Exchange statement shows a decrease in the movement into sight compared with the seven days ending this date last year of 213,000 bales and a decrease under the same time, year before last, of 137,000 bales.

The amount brought into sight during the past seven days has been 285,544 bales against 448,730 for the seven days ending this date last year; and for the twenty nine days of December 1,300,933 against 1,958,943 last year.

The total movement for the 120 days from September 1st to date is 5,812,314, against 7,560,340 last year, and 7,161,794 year before last.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports 3,914,220 bales, against 5,742,890 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 807,105, against 719 471 last year; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year 525,489, against 581,479 last year; Southern mill takings 564,500, against 516,500 last year.

Foreign exports for the week have been 111,195 bales, against 305,879 last year, making the total thus far for the season 2 522,163, against 4,074,320 last year. The total takings of American mills, North and South, and Canada thus far in the season have been 1,189 398, against 1,686,173 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the twenty-nine leading Southern interior centers have decreased during the week 13,070, against a decrease during the corresponding period last season of 39,448.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop, the supply to date is 6,431,213 bales, against 7,827,906 last year.

MILLER COALING SYSTEM.

Favorable Report Made by Naval Board Conducting the Experiment.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—The naval board which conducted the trial of the Miller coaling system, has submitted a favorable report to Admiral Bradford, chief of the equipment bureau. The board conducted these experiments with the battleship Massachusetts and the government collier Marcellus, the battleship towing the collier, which supplied the former with coal in eight hundred-pound bags by means of the towing lines, which made an aerial trolley. The tests were conducted under varying conditions of weather, and in the opinion of the board were eminently successful. In weather as heavy as it was practicable to coal ships under any conditions, the device transported about twenty tons an hour safely.

MONUMENT TO GEN. LEE.

Ball and Banquet in Aid of the Project to be Given in Washington.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 29.—The management of the Lee memorial reception, ball and banquet, to be given in the National Rifles armory hall, January 12th, 1900, to aid in the erection of a monument to General Robert E. Lee, called upon the Secretary of War to day and requested the use of the national colors with which to decorate the hall on that evening.

Application was also made for the permission of General Fitzhugh Lee to attend this function, and the reply was made, that should the General desire to come, and in the opinion of himself and General Wood the public welfare would permit his absence at that time, the department would consider an application for his visit to the national capital on that occasion.

COLLISION OF TRAINS.

Eight Freight Cars Smashed at Savannah. Fireman's Arm Broken.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAVANNAH, GA., December 29.—Southbound passenger train No. 35 of the Southern railway due at, 6.15 and running two hours late, collided in the Plant railway yard here this morning with an outgoing Plant system freight train. The engineer and fireman of the Southern jumped and the fireman's arm was broken. Eight freight cars were smashed and took fire. The flames were extinguished by city fire engines. No passenger sustained so much as a bruise.

TOTAL NET RECEIPTS OF COTTON.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at all ports since September 1st, 1899: Galveston, 1,232,817 bales; New Orleans, 1,015 133; Mobile, 124.401; Savannah, 642.511; Charleston, 166,672; Wilmington, 207 937; Norfolk, 232,345; Baltimore, 53,936; New York, 39.163; Boston 43.172; Newport News, 5,202; Philadelphia, 23,031; Brunswick, 31,486; Port Arthur, 11.772; Pensacola, 53,085. Total, 3,882,663 bales.

SHOT HIS WIFE.

Alfred Morrison Mistook Mrs. Morrison for a Burglar During the Night.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Alfred Morrison, a professor of languages, mistook his wife for a burglar during the night and shot her, at their home at Mount Vernon, New York. The bullet entered her left shoulder and is lodged near the lung. She is in a critical condition and may die.

Mrs. Morrison excused her husband from all blame. He is almost insane from grief.

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